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Alton Town REPORT

1907

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND

SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15,

1907.

THE FARMINGTON NEWS PRESS

FARMINGTON, N. H.

1907

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN,

LEWIS P. VARNEY, HARRY MORRISON,
WALDO C. VARNEY.

TOWN CLERK,

PERCY S. JONES.

TREASURER,

LEWIS H. LAMPREY.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

SAMUEL E. JONES.

AUDITORS,

CHARLES H. DOWNING, WILLIS P. EMERSON.

SUPERVISORS,

LABAN G. WELCH, SYLVESTER B. HUCKINS,
ELAM R. WRIGHT.

SCHOOL BOARD,

ALTA H. McDUFFEE, ALBERT J. JONES
ARTHUR D. ROLLINS.

FIRE WARDS,

GEORGE W. PLACE, GEORGE S. BASSETT,
HERBERT J. JONES

BOARD OF HEALTH,

CHARLES E. FIFIELD, CHARLES E. HUTCHINS,
FRANK M. AYER.

POLICE,

FRANK L. EMERSON.

CONSTABLE,

GEORGE W. PLACE.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres 35,605, value . . .	\$525,966 00
Personal estate including polls	129,366 00

Total value	\$655,332 00
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	No.	Average.	
Polls	327	\$100 00	\$32,700 00
Horses	359	59 75	21,450 00
Oxen	72	48 47	3,490 00
Cows	576	25 06	14,439 00
Neat stock	213	15 85	3,377 00
Sheep	160	3 18	510 00
Fowls	45	40	18 00
Carriages	11	72 72	800 00
Stock in public funds			1,000 00
Stock in banks and other corporations			1,700 00
Stock in trade			18,790 00
Acqueducts			12,000 00
Mills and machinery			10,492 00
Money on deposit			500 00
Buildings not designated			650 00
Power boats			7,450 00

Total	\$129,366 00
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Total amount of taxes raised	\$14,744 97
State tax	\$1,355 00
County tax	1,763 94
School "	3,733 50
Highway tax	2,095 34
Permanent improvement fund as re- quired by law	643 00
Firemen tax	105 00
Library "	161 30
Town "	4,600 00
Percentage	287 89
Total	\$14,744 97
Tax on poll \$2 25	

RECEIPTS.

Amount of taxes charged to collector	\$14,744 97
Cash in treasury Feb 15	\$2,580 44
1905 taxes due from collector	984 37
Received of Oscar Duncan, int 1905 taxes	30 50
L P Varney, Dudley Nelson taxes '03, '04	33 16
L P Varney, H F Muzzey taxes '04, '05	69 62
L P Varney, Belknap county	181 14
" railroad tax	933 51
" Savings bank tax	1,011 37
" literary fund	127 49
" Proportion of school fund	300 00
W C Varney, Belknap Spring & Land Co, tax 1905	81 02
W C Varney, Helen A Hurd tax '05	6 66

W C Varney, hall rent	69	00	
L P Varney, from Belknap county	280	84	
Percy S Jones, dog licenses	324	65	
State board license commissioners	236	45	
Chas W Whitehouse, for stone	6	00	\$7,256 22
Total			\$22,001 19

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Cordelia M Woodman endorsement on note	\$77	40
Nancy J French	76	51
James W Durgin,	88	15
Andrew Varney heirs,	90	11
John N Avery,	44	25
Jane Morse,	104	26
Esther A Varney,	28	18
Carrie E Miller,	94	78
Sarah J Clark,	51	03
John Q Adams,	19	35
Ella A Gilman,	135	45
Paul E Buckley, labor and supplies on hall	8	81
Edson C Eastman, order and collector's book	4	20
Frank A Varney, school money	500	00
Gilbert H Proctor, inspecting town hall .	8	00
Chas E Fifield, Memorial appropriation .	50	00
J L Davis, freight on road machine . . .	6	90
David E Clough, labor on hall	20	85
Frank A Varney, school money	500	00
Oscar Duncan, settlement of 1905 taxes .	164	35
Fred W Leach, repairs on hose house . .	3	50
Courier Pub Co, printing reports	46	00
" " ballots	5	00

Paid Alton Electric Light Co, lights for fountain	10 00
Alonzo S French, library appropriation . .	161 30
David E Clough, repairs on hall	4 65
Silsby & Co, invoice book	15 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, supplies for hall	14 00
Frank A Varney, school money	300 00
Sadie A Currier, librarian	20 84
Frank A Varney, school money	150 00
Fred R Wadleigh, settlement of note . .	576 75
Alta H McDuffee, school supplies	79 84
E G McLucas, blacksmith work	3 90
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	8 33
Alton Electric Light Co, lights for fountain	10 00
John Hadlock, road machine	243 10
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline	12 44
Frank A Varney, school money	300 00
Jones & Lamprey, coal	39 29
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
David E Clough, repairing doors	1 50
“ watchman	2 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Fred I Woodman, road damage	15 00
Chas E Hutchins, supplies board of health	25 00
Isaac Copp, surveying Clough road	4 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline	11 44
Sumner Cotton, housing road machine . .	2 00
The Downing Co, drain pipe	64 76
The J H Downing Co, hardware	7 31
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, hydrants . .	500 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Alta H McDuffee, school supplies	169 22
Lafayette Woodman, dog damage	6 00
Ira B. Gilman, “ “	7 00
John C Young, “ “	3 00
Frank Nutter, “ “	8 00

Paid Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Paul E Buckley, labor and supplies, hall	27 63
Abbie M Dore, watering tub, 1905-1906	6 00
Walter W Durgin, 1 cord wood	3 50
Dr E R Wright, return of births and deaths	3 50
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline	22 99
Alton Electric Light Co, lights for fountain	10 00
Jewell, Owen & Veazey, advice	3 00
C N Perkins Co, repairing hose	2 00
Harry K Barnes, new hose	152 76
P H Wheeler, return of births and deaths	5 25
Philip L Drew, police service	2 00
“ “ fighting fire	2 00
Frank A Varney, school money	614 55
Charles E Hutchins, watching	1 20
“ “ supplies, board of health	24 61
George E Furber, watering tub, '05-'06	6 00
Forrest H Rollins, “ “ '06	3 00
David H Morrison, “ “ '06	3 00
S Waldo Hurd, janitor	56 25
“ “ care of clock	7 75
“ “ extra labor	10 50
“ “ supplies	81
Charles H Downing, ¼ cord wood, hose 2	1 75
John W Evans, watching	2 00
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work	11 50
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, hydrants	2 99
“ “ “ iron pipe	75
Herbert J Jones, town hall insurance	100 00
J Jones & Son, supplies	25 83
Meville Adams, clerk hose 1	184 50
“ “ watching	1 00
Ira W Mitchell, care of Nute lot, '05-'06	5 00

Paid Frank L Emerson, care of tramps	3 00
" " telephoning	35
" " collecting license	3 00
Lewis H Lamprey, freight and express, school supplies	11 25
Jones & Lamprey, supplies	3 13
Willis P Emerson, clerk hose 2	91 00
" " supplies	1 23
" " pung for hose 2	2 00
George W Place, tramps	42 00
" " arrest of Fred Hall . . .	5 00
" " watchman at fire	10 00
Alonzo S French, interest on Palmer fund for library	17 50
Eddie K Jenkins, watering tub '06	3 00
Harry Morrison, damage on plow	4 00
John H Fifield, teams for firemen	39 50
George W Place, wood	11 00
Town of Wolfboro, one half services of sur- veyor perambulating town lines	2 00
Velzora A Dealand, winter work '06	6 10
Frank M Ayer, janitor	25 00
" " care of clock	5 00
" " freight, cartage and supplies	3 46
C W Emerson, fighting fire	2 00
Waldo C Varney, supplies	2 60
H C Ricker, team to Barnstead	1 50
Lewis P Varney, investigating Green case	6 30
" " supplies and expenses . .	4 69
" " car fare, stationery and postage	3 30
Waldo C Varney, investigating Green case	2 00
Rev E W Cummings, return of marriages	75
Rev F N Saltmarsh, " "	25

Paid Walde C Varney, recording inventory of town	15 00
Waldo C Varney, recording inventory of precinct	5 00
Waldo C Varney, care of order book . . .	5 00
“ “ renting town hall . . .	3 00
Lewis H Lamprey, watching	2 00
Jacob Peterson, “	2 00
Fred W Leach, “	2 00
Joseph W Howard, note and interest . .	466 57
“ “ watering tub	3 00
S E Colbath & Co, supplies	2 57
Solon A Carter, state tax	1,355 00
Stephen B Cole, county tax	1,763 94
Ella A Gilman, note and interest	718 37
Carrie E Morse, “ “	615 75
Total	\$13,489 98

PAUPERS.

Paid Inez Q Walker, aid to Syrena Brown, county	\$25 50
W P Emerson, aid to Mattie Hayes, “	42 00
J Jones & Son, “ Rosella Blakely, “	2 64
“ “ David Gilman, “	3 50
Inez Q Walker, “ Syrena Brown, “	31 50
Fred E Nutter, “ Geo Lambert, town	3 60
J Jones & Son, “ Rosella Blakely, county	3 11
Geo W Place, “ “ “	31 00
W P Emerson, “ “ “	1 48
“ “ Mattie Hayes, “	49 50
P H Wheeler, “ Albert E Barnes, town	5 00
Geo W Place, “ B Gray, county . .	8 00
“ “ Hollis M Ellis, county	6 92
Total	\$213 75

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid the J H Downing Co, county	\$110 00
Willis P Emerson, "	91 50
Cora B King, "	63 75
Total	<u>\$265 25</u>

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Sylvester B Hucks, supervisor Mar '05, '06, Nov '06	\$20 00
Chas E Hutchins, board of health	20 38
Chas H Downing, ballot inspector, Nov '04 March '05, '06, Nov '06	8 00
John W Evans, fire ward	3 33
Chas E Fifield, board of health	6 80
" truant officer	2 25
Frank L Emerson, police officer	6 00
" ballot inspector, Mar '06	2 00
Chas H McDuffee, selectman	4 00
Alonzo S French, moderator, Mar, Nov '06	4 00
Geo W Place, constable	20 00
Frank M Ayer, board of health	10 00
" ballot inspector, Mar '06	2 00
Percy S Jones, town clerk	62 47
Laban G Welch, supervisor Mar, Nov, '06	14 00
Herbert J Jones, fire ward	5 00
George S Bassett, "	5 00
Waldo C Varney, town clerk	7 15
Chas H Davis, ballot inspector, Mar '05, '06	4 00
Waldo C Varney, selectman	75 00
Harry Morrison, "	86 00
Lewis P Varney, "	88 00
" overseer of poor	15 00

Paid Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	50 00
Frank A Varney, ballot inspector Nov '06	2 00
" school district treasurer	15 00
Alta H McDuffee, school board	30 00
Arthur D Rollins, "	20 00
Albert J Jones, "	20 00
Chas H Downing, auditor	3 00
Willis P Emerson, auditor	3 00
 Total	 \$613 38

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1905 and 1906.

Paid Hadley F Gilman	\$9 50
Henry Elliott	2 50
Geo W Place	10 00
Richard Griffin	1 00
Herman Glidden	1 00
Chas E Fifield	2 60
Jacob Peterson	5 00
Chas H Jones	75
Calvin S Glidden	18 00
Lewis E Avery	18 10
Hiram A Flanders	7 40
A T Gilman	18 75
Fred Gilman	16 15
S G Flanders	12 00
Chas H Clough	5 60
C H Moulton	3 00
S H Flanders	65
J P Leavitt	5 25
L White	12 00
A B Flanders	3 11
Maurice L Flanders	8 43
Harrison B Ricker	8 78

Paid S E P Gilman	3 30
C W Rollins	1 00
C H Flanders	13 35
L G Page	1 55
Irad B Gilman	7 35
James B Place	3 76
John Stevens	1 05
C D Marston	2 85
E G Ellis	15 48
David and Orrin Lamper	8 00
Moses A Ellis	1 58
Willis Glidden	90
C H W Jones	5 39
George Lamper	5 32
Albert Morse	2 10
Dana Bradley	1 45
Chas Havens	1 60
James W Goodall heirs	1 86
C C Rines heirs	24 60
E S Walker	4 65
Herbert Morrill	90
Chas Palmer	60
H G Hayes	1 20
Fred W Davis	6 05
James B Woodman	4 22
S Otis Wallingford	2 25
F J Stevens	1 65
Frank Howard	2 87
Wm M Stevens	2 96
Geo W Colbath	1 10
A B Lang	8 50
John Hanson	10 12
E G Rollins	5 50
John H Evans	2 25
H O Tuttle	3 60

Paid Larvy Woodman	75
Romeyn B Hurd	6 11
Stephen Shagnon	1 27
Sumner Cotton	63
Samuel Drolittle	60
James N and G W Morrison	12 35
D H and Harry Morrison	13 17
Joseph W Howard	4 20
Seth H Kimball	5 40
M L H Kimball	4 50
Lester A Young	7 68
Jacob F Evans	3 60
S E Roberts	4 75
George Roberts	2 00
Stephen Shagnon	2 80
Robert A Frohock	18 35
P H Walker	4 85
Allan Varney	3 71
Geo Chamberlain	90
Stephen Barnes	2 55
J L Rollins	3 10
Albert Ellis	4 05
Stephen Flanders	1 78
Alonzo S Brooks	1 55
John Young	3 75
Albert D Varney	13 45
Charles E Hodgon	4 50
John C Page	3 15
Irville T Proctor	2 50
Ira B Bennett	2 50
Andrew J Gilman	8 00
Forrest H Rollins	5 85
William S Watson	1 05
John G W Jones	11 85
S E Rollins	8 48

Paid Calvin Rollins	10 13
Haven C Rollins	2 10
E S Batchelder	3 30
William Hayes	1 80
William R Varney	1 80
E O Prescott	4 40
F W Muzzey	4 00
Wm Jones	75
Edward Doane	75
George W Horne	1 86
Chas F Rand	2 69
Chas H Tibbetts	1 00
Chas W Evans	8 50
Sylvester B Huckins	7 00
George E Furber	8 73
C I Chamberlain	9 68
Lewis A Proctor	10 00
E K Jenkins	6 40
E P Seward	4 90
Total	<u>\$596 00</u>

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1906	\$2,580 44
Total receipts during the year	<u>18,524 47</u>
Total	\$21,104 91

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year	\$18,959 80
Cash on hand, Feb, 15 1907	<u>2,145 11</u>
Total	\$21,104 9

DEBT.

Liabilities Feb 15, 1906	\$12,177 79	
Assets " "	3,571 31	
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Debt of town Feb 15, 1906		\$8,606 48
Liabilities Feb 15, 1907	\$9,357 00	
Assets " "	3,056 31	
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Debt of town Feb 15, 1907		\$6,300 69
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Decrease of debt		\$2,305 79

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1906	\$2,580 44	
Taxes received from collector	13,848 69	
Railroad tax	933 51	
Savings bank tax	1,011 37	
Literary fund	127 49	
Proportion of school fund	300 00	
Belknap county, for support of paupers	461 98	
Dog license	324 65	
Miscellaneous items	1,516 78	
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Total		\$21,104 91

DISBURSEMENTS

County paupers	\$ 205 15
Town officers	613 38
Highway, summer work	3,162 99
" winter "	596 00
Supplies for schools	260 31
Support of schools	4,364 55
Damage by dogs	24 00
State Tax	1,355 00
County tax	1,763 94

Fireman tax	105 00	
Memorial appropriation	50 00	
Town notes and interest	3,229 41	
Abatement 1905 taxes	39 78	
" 1906 "	89 70	
Dependent soldiers and families	265 25	
Miscellaneous	2,835 34	
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Total		\$18,959 80
Excess of receipts over disbursements		2,145 11
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Total		\$21,104 91

ASSETS

Cash on hand Feb 15th, 1907	\$2,145 11	
1906 tax uncollected in hands of collector Feb 15, 1907	896 28	
Balance due from Belknap county	14 92	
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Total		\$3,056 31

LIABILITIES

Due sundry parties on notes	\$8,933 66	
School, literary fund	127 49	
" balance dog money	295 85	
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Total		\$9,357 00
Indebtedness of town.		\$6,300 69

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received dog licenses	\$324 65
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PAYMENTS.

Damaged by dogs	\$ 24 00	
Expenses collecting	3 00	
Balance due schools	297 65	
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Total		\$324 65

TRUST FUNDS.

Carrie B Nute, cemetery fund	\$150 00	
Eveline L Palmer, library fund	500 00	
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Total		\$650 00

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year, which we respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Alton. The expense of repairing the highways exceeds the tax raised by the sum of \$424.65. A new road machine has been purchased at an expense of \$250 00. Unfortunately we have had several fires in the past year, and the expense of maintaining the fire department exceeds last year by \$115 00. New hose has also been purchased at an expense of \$152.00. The town debt has been reduced \$2,305.79.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS P. VARNEY,	}	Selectmen of Alton.
HARRY MORRISON,		
WALDO C VARNEY,		

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,	}	Auditors.
CHARLES H. DOWNING,		

Alton, N. H., Feb 15, 1907.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1906			
Mar 19	Balance cash in treasury	\$ 2,580 44	
27	Received of L P Varney, selectman .	33 16	
Apr 28	" Oscar Duncan, collector '05	600 00	
May 26	" S E Jones, " '06	335 00	
30	" L P Varney, selectman .	69 62	
June 7	" Oscar Duncan, collector '05	202 00	
16	" P S Jones, dog license .	244 80	
19	" L P Varney, selectman	181 14	
July 6	" S E Jones, collector .	475 00	
30	" State License Commission	236 45	
31	" S E Jones, collector . . .	400 00	
Aug 17	" " " . . .	310 00	
25	" " " . . .	390 00	
Sept 11	" " " . . .	390 00	
Oct 2	" " " . . .	400 00	
2	" P S Jones, dog license .	78 05	
17	" S E Jones, collector . . .	400 00	
Nov 8	" " " . . .	600 00	
16	" " " . . .	800 00	
30	" " " . . .	1,500 00	
Dec 5	" " " . . .	1,100 00	
7	" L P Varney, selectman, railroad tax . .	933 51	
	" L P Varney, selectman, savings bank tax .	1,011 37	

Dec 7	Received of L P Varney, selectman, literary fund	127 49
	" L P Varney, selectman, school fund	300 00
11	" S E Jones, collector . . .	1,100 00
22	" " " . . .	400 00
1907		
Jan 3	" P S Jones, dog license .	1 80
9	" S E Jones, collector .	500 00
Feb 8	" W E Varney, selectman .	87 68
11	" " hall rent . .	69 00
	" L P Varney, selectman .	280 84
12	" S E Jones, collector . .	700 00
	" L P Varney, selectman .	6 00
13	" S E Jones, collector . . .	200 00
Cash received		\$17,043 35

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1906

Mar 31	Paid Cordelia M Woodman	\$ 77 40
	Nancy J French	76 51
	James W Durgin	88 15
	Andrew Varney heirs	90 11
	John N Avery	44 25
	Jane Morse	104 26
	Esther A Varney	28 18
	Carrie E Miller	94 78
	Sarah J Clark	51 03
	John Q Adams	19 35
	Ella A Gilman	135 45
Apr 12	Paul E Buckley	8 61
21	Frank A Varney	500 00
26	Edson C Eastman	4 20

May 8	Paid Gilbert H Proctor	8 00
14	J H Downing Co	34 00
	Inez Q Walker	25 50
30	Chas E Fifield	50 00
31	J L Davis	6 90
June 1	David E Clough	20 85
5	Frank A Varney	500 00
11	Oscar Duncan	164 35
13	Fred W Leach	3 50
14	Lewis P Varney	51 00
" 18	Willis P Emerson	42 00
	" "	42 00
19	Jones & Lamprey	25 00
	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	881 97
22	A S French	161 30
23	Silsby & Co	15 00
	Gilbert & Barker	14 00
	F A Varney	300 00
	J Jones & Son	2 64
	" "	3 50
	Daniel E Clough	4 65
28	Sadie A Currier	20 84
July 7	Fred R Wadleigh	596 75
	Frank A Varney	150 00
	Alton Electric Light Co	10 00
Aug 29	Alta H McDuffee	79 84
Sept 10	E G McLucas	3 90
	Pearl S Bassett	8 33
29	John Haddock	243 10
	Gilbert & Barker	12 44
	Frank A Varney	300 00
Oct 6	The J H Downing Co	42 06
	Inez Q Walker	31 50
9	Jones & Lamprey	39 29

Oct 18	Paid F A Varney	500 00
22	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
Nov 9	D E Clough	3 50
14	Frank A Varney	500 00
21	Fred I Woodman	15 00
30	The Downing Co	64 76
	" "	7 31
Dec 7	Solon A Carter, state tax receipt	1,355 00
	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	500 00
8	Sylvester B Huckins	20 00
15	Frank A Varney	500 00
20	Alia H McDuffee	169 22
21	Lafayette Woodman	6 00
	Frank Nutter	8 00
	Fred E Nutter	3 60
22	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	881 97
	John C Young	3 00
	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
	Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co	11 44
	Sumner Cotton	2 00
	Irad B Gilman	7 00
1907		
Jan 9	Paul E Buckley	27 63
14	Abbie M Dore	6 00
	Walter W Durgin	3 50
18	E R Wright	3 50
	Frank A Varney	500 00
	Isaac Copp	4 00
29	Gilbert & Barker	22 99
	Jewell, Owen & Veazey	3 00
30	Frank M Ayer	10 00
31	C N Perkins Co	2 00
	Henry K Barnes	152 76
Feb 4	Jones & Lamprey	38 75

Feb 4	J Jones & Son	3 11
	The J H Downing Co	34 00
7	W P Emerson	1 48
	" "	49 50
	" "	49 50
	P H Wheeler	5 25
8	Philip Drew	4 00
9	Charles E Hutchins	25 00
	" "	46 19
	David H Morrison	3 00
	Forrest H Rollins	3 00
	P H Wheeler	5 00
	S W Hurd	75 31
	John W Evans	5 33
	Frank A Varney	614 55
	Geo E Furber	6 00
11	Oscar Duncan	11 50
	Charles E Fifield	9 05
	Merville Adams	184 50
	" "	1 00
	Ira W Mitchell	5 00
	Frank L Emerson	14 35
	Jones & Lamprey	3 13
	L H Lamprey	11 25
	W P Emerson	91 00
	" "	3 23
12	Chas H McDuffee	4 00
	Alonzo S French	17 50
	" "	4 00
	Velzora A Dealand	6 10
	Eddie K Jenkins	3 00
	Harry Morrison	4 00
	Waldo C Varney	2 00
	Frank M Ayer	45 46
13	Percy S Jones	62 47

Feb 13	Paid	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	295 75
		Herbert J Jones	100 00
		J Jones & Son	25 83
		Laban G Welch	14 00
		Herbert J Jones	5 00
		George S Bassett	5 00
		E W Cummings	75
		Chas H Downing	9 75
		J H Fifield	39 50
		C W Emerson	2 00
		W C Varney	2 67
		Lewis P Varney	10 99
		F N Saltmarsh	25
		W C Varney	9 15
		Charles H Davis	4 00
		H C Ricker	1 50
		Waldo C Varney	103 00
		Lewis P Varney	106 30
		Harry Morrison	86 00
		Lewis H Lamprey	52 00
15		Jacob Peterson	2 00
		Fred W Leach	2 00
		Frank A Varney	17 00
		Joseph W Howard	466 57
		J W Howard	3 00
		S E Colbath & Co	2 57
		Alta H McDuffee	30 00
		Arthur D Rollins	20 00
		Albert J Jones	20 00
		Charles H Downing	3 00
		Willis P Emerson	3 00
		George W Place	31 00
		"	42 00
		"	15 00
		"	11 00

Feb 15	George W Place	\$ 20 00
	"	8 00
	"	6 92
	Ella A Gilman	718 37
	Carrie E Morse	615 75
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	Total	\$14,898 24
	Balance cash in treasury	2,145 11
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		\$17,043 35

LEWIS H. LAMPREY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON, }
 CHARLES H. DOWNING, } Auditors.

ALTON, N. H., FEBRUARY 15, 1907.

SCHOOL REPORT.

In conformity to statute requirements the school board herewith submit the following as their twenty- first annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

WEST ALTON.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Mrs. Chas. H. Rollins.

MOUNTAIN.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of twenty weeks taught by Sarah D Queeney.

GORE.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Effie M. Prescott.

CLOUGH.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Marion Weir, fall term, nineteen weeks taught by Virginia E Dorr.

McDUFFEE.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Maud Whitehouse. Fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Elizabeth C Davis.

GILMAN'S CORNER.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Grace Berry.

LOON COVE.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Nettie F. Garland.
Fall term taught by Maud Whitehouse.

ALTON BAY.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Sarah E. Hanson.
Fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Eva M. Harris.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Walter M. May, principal and Bessie M. Brackett, assistant. Fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Walter M. May, principal, and Gertrude K. Coppinger, assistant. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

GRAMMAR.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Carolyn M. Crockett.
Fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Gertrude E. McGrath. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

INTERMEDIATE.

Fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Margaret Manning. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

PRIMARY.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by M Emma Roberts. Fall term taught by Bertha Stevens. A winter term is now in progress.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS,

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of district treasurer	
Feb 15, 1906	\$ 409 94
Raised by tax for support of schools .	3,132 50
“ “ “ of winter	
term of high school . .	300 00
Raised by tax for support of village	
schools	201 00
Raised by tax for repairs	100 00
State (School Supervision)	300 00
Literary fund	109 45
Dog Money	226 60
Barnstead school district	40 50
New Durham “ “	18 00
Epsom “ “	18 00
Barnstead “ “	11 00
Coal sold C E Hutchins	6 57
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	\$4,873 56
Less Gooch Abatement	5 00
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Total	4868 56

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid teachers' salaries	\$3,453 34
Fuel and fitting same	258 69
Repairs	53 30

Superintendent	600 00
Transportation and board for school children	31 00
Tuition paid other towns	25 00
Miscellaneous	142 85
Janitor for high and intermediate schools	132 40
Cash in hands of district treasurer .	171 97
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Feb 15, 1907	\$4,868 56
Due from Gilmanton school district .	\$5 00
“ Epsom “ “ .	12 50
“ Oe Varney	12 50
“ other resources	34 81
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> ARTHUR D. ROLLINS, ALTA H. McDUFFEE, ALBERT J. JONES, </div> <div style="font-size: 3em; margin: 0 10px;">}</div> <div style="text-align: left;"> School Board of Alton. </div> </div>	

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 Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1907.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

CASH RECEIVED.

1906.		
Mar 23	Balance in treasury	\$409 94
" 23	Received of town of Barnstead, tuition	40 50
" 23	" " New Durham, "	18 00
Apr 21	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00
June 5	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00
" 23	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	300 00
July 7	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	150 00
Aug 8	Received of town of Barnstead, tuition	11 00
Sept 6	" " Epsom, "	18 00
" 29	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	300 00
Oct 18	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00
Nov 14	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00
Dec 15	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00
1907.		
Jan 18	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	500 00

Feb 9	Received of Lewis H Lamprey, treasurer	614 55
Feb 13	Received of A J Jones	6 57
Total	<hr/> \$4,868 56

CASH PAID OUT.

1906.

Feb	23	Paid Bessie M Brackett	\$40 00
	28	H F Gilman	5 50
Mar	24	Walter M May	76 15
	24	B L Blaisdell	12 50
Apr	6	Bessie M Brackett	40 00
	11	Albert J Jones	120 00
	11	Walter M May	30 20
	12	M Emma Roberts	9 50
	20	"	9 50
	20	Charles H Davis	95 34
	21	Carolyn Crockett	20 00
	24	Walter M May	30 90
	27	M Emma Roberts	9 50
	28	Maude M Whitehouse	19 50
May	4	M Emma Roberts	9 50
	5	Nettie F Garland	24 00
	12	M Emma Roberts	9 50
	11	Maude Whitehouse	13 00
	11	Walter M May	29 86
	18	"	30 55
	22	Carolyn M Crockett	10 00
	19	M Emma Roberts	9 50
	25	Bessie M Brackett	70 00
	26	Maude M Whitehouse	13 00

May	26	Paid B L Blaisdell	18 50
	29	George A Dore	2 00
	30	Wesley E Hatch	2 00
	31	Sarah E Hanson	51 00
June	1	Walter M May	28 56
	5	Albert J Jones	60 00
	5	"	60 00
	7	M Emma Roberts	28 50
	8	Maude M Whitehouse	13 00
	15	Sarah D Queeney	77 00
	22	Nettie Garland	24 00
	21	Grace H Rollins	66 00
	23	Marion E Weir	93 50
	23	Effie Prescott	77 00
	23	Maude Whitehouse	13 00
	23	Sarah Hanson	42 50
	23	Bessie M Brackett	40 00
	25	Grace E Berry	66 00
	25	Walter M May	97 37
	25	Nettie F Garland	18 00
	25	B L Blaisdell	10 30
	26	Carolyn M Crockett	80 00
	26	Albert J Jones	15 32
	27	M Emma Roberts	19 00
	29	Carroll T Jones	9 00
July	6	Alta H McDuffee	11 04
	7	H S Emerson	9 24
	10	E G Ellis	7 50
	11	Albert J Jones	60 00
	30	Ira W Mitchell	6 00
Sept	11	B L Blaisdell	14 37
	12	C H Jones	4 00
	22	Maud M Whitehouse	19 50
	29	Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
	29	Gertrude McGrath	30 00

Oct	1	Paid B L Blaisdell	14 00
	2	Idella Berry	10 00
	5	Mary L Griffin	13 50
		Margaret H Manning	40 00
	8	Maud M Whitehouse	13 00
		Bertha M Stevens	20 00
	15	Walter M May	67 50
	17	Eva M Harris	35 00
	18	Margaret Manning	10 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
		Gertrude McGrath	30 00
	20	Maud M Whitehouse	13 00
	27	Sarah Queeney	30 00
	29	B L Blaisdell	16 00
Nov	6	Margaret Manning	39 00
	3	Hezekiah Bennett	9 50
	6	Sarah Queeney	52 50
	7	Frank A Varney	150 00
	8	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
	9	Maud M Whitehouse	19 50
	10	Gertrude McGrath	20 00
	13	Mrs Geo F Clough	2 50
	14	Eva M Harris	21 00
	15	Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
	16	Walter M May	67 50
	23	Grace H Rollins	78 00
	24	Virginia E Dorr	84 00
		Bertha M Stevens	30 00
	25	Elizabeth Davis	72 00
	27	Margaret Manning	30 00
		Eva M Harris	28 00
		Everett E Walker	1 40
	28	Gertrude McGrath	40 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	20 00
		Maud M Whitehouse	13 00

Dec	3	Paid B L Blaisdell	22 35
	6	Charles Hatch	5 75
	13	Alta H McDuffee	10 00
		“ “	34 81
		“ “	10 85
		Maud M Whitehouse	13 00
		Edward Doane	9 00
	14	Sarah D Queeney	16 00
	18	Effie M Prescott	25 00
	21	Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
		Gertrude McGrath	30 00
		Bertha M Stevens	40 00
	22	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Walter M May	67 50
		B L Blaisdell	12 00
		George Dore	2 75
		Maud Whitehouse	13 00
1907			
Jan	7	Frank A Varney	60 00
	12	Sarah D Queeney	91 50
		Virginia E Dorr	49 00
Jan	16	Paid Paul E Buckley	12 75
	18	Maud Whitehouse	19 50
	19	Elizabeth Davis	42 00
	19	Effie M Prescott	108 00
	22	New Durham School Board . .	25 00
	24	Stephen P Barnes	27 00
	25	B L Blaisdell	13 25
	26	Eva M Harris	28 00
		Fred S Gilman	6 50
	28	Walter M May	67 50
		Chas A Rollins	1 46
		Grace H Rollins	45 50
Feb	1	J H Downing Co	1 30
	2	Bertha M Stevens	40 00

Feb	2	Gertrude Coppinger	40 00
		Gertrude McGrath	40 00
	9	Eva M Harris	21 00
		Margaret Manning	40 00
		E O Prescott	2 74
		A D Varney	9 25
	11	Frank A Varney	120 00
		Oscar Duncan	4 25
		Gertrude McGrath	20 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	20 00
		Walter M May	101 25
	13	B L Blaisdell	13 50
		Jones & Lamprey	3 17
		A S Emerson	1 50
		A E Barnes	1 00
		Walter W Durgin	14 50
		Walter M May	1 75
		Archie Frohock	1 00
		Albert J Jones	6 50
		Geo W Place	63 25
		Geo W Place	30 25
	14	S E Colbath & Co	2 11
	15	R A Frohock	1 75
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co .	10 00
		J Jones & Son	15 95
		Bertha M Stevens	20 00
Total,			\$4,696.59
Balance cash in treasury,			171 97
Total			\$4,868.56

FRANK A VARNEY, Treasurer.

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Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1907.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

PART I

To the residents of the outside sections:

The education of your children is exactly as important, and worthy of just as much consideration as that of village or city children. I think really, it is more important, because a great portion of the state is made up of such communities, and the intelligence of the citizens in these rural sections determines in a large measure the progress of the state. And more than that—such places are usually neglected.

Now I believe you are entitled to educational advantages equal to those of any town or city.

Never with my consent or approval, will one of your outside schools be closed, unless an overwhelming majority of the people involved desire it. As long as I am superintendent of your schools, I will oppose any measure calculated in my opinion to increase the advantages of one part of the town at the expense of another part.

I am working for the town of Alton, not for any special part of it. It's all one town and should have one policy. Any sectional feeling, any petty factions, any policy based on selfish interest, is bound to hurt, and should never be allowed to enter into town affairs, in school or any other matters.

Now I have observed your school conditions for a year and a term, and I want to tell you what I know is the truth of

the whole situation. I would rather speak to you, than write for you to read; but I have no opportunity to speak to you.

The very fact that you live in rural and scattered sections prevents your having, or ever having under your present school system, educational advantages equal to those of village or city dwellers. There is distance; and bad roads. No matter where you put a school, (unless you provide one for every family) some of your children will have to come quite a distance. Your school authorities tried to solve the problem by providing seven or eight small schools.

This means hiring a teacher for each.

Last year you spent \$1,709.50 for salaries of common school teachers. You had two village schools, and seven (part of time 8) country schools. Your two village schools had an average attendance of 61.4 pupils and cost for salary \$507.

Your seven outside schools combined had an attendance of about 69.1 pupils and cost \$1202.50 for salary. That is, more than $\frac{2}{3}$ of total salary was spent on country schools, and educated a few more than $\frac{1}{2}$ of total number of pupils in town. And the salary of your country teachers (and therefore presumably the quality of instruction) was lower, at that.

The cost to the town per pupil in the village schools was about \$8.31. In the outside schools about \$17.40.

Here is a table of statistics for this year, after you have opened another school in the village:

Outside Schools and Village Schools, (Statistics based on 19 weeks of 1906-7)	Outside Schools	Village Schools
Number of schools,	7	3
Average salary of teacher (per week)	\$6 90	\$10 00
" " number pupils to a school,	10	24
*Total number different pupils registered,	76	81
*Average daily attendance (for all)	63.01	71.2
* " daily absence,	7.21	2.3
Per cent of attendance,	89.7	96.8
Number cases of tardiness,	263	118
Total cost for instruction,	\$912.00	\$570.00
Cost for instruction per pupil (19 weeks)	\$14.476	\$8.005
Cost per pupil per week,	\$.762	\$.421
Estimated cost per pupil per year (30 weeks)	\$ 22.86	\$ 12.63
Number visits by superintendent (for one term)	35	26
*Does not include any pupils from outside schools who entered village school during second term.		

A study of this will show that while more than $\frac{2}{3}$ of total town salary is devoted to hiring teachers for outside schools, less than $\frac{1}{2}$ the pupils actually in attendance in town, go to these schools.

So much for salary of teachers. Now the cost of fuel for the outside schools was greater in proportion than same item for the village; for the combination of grades in high school building made a saving there, and the wood item was of course very much smaller.

Text book expense will be about the same per pupil under any system.

Expense for maps, charts, etc., is greatly increased by number of schools; for one map of North America, for example, can be used by 40 pupils in one room. While four maps are necessary for four schools of 10 pupils each.

Janitor service is an item greater in the village than in the country, and the results are worth the difference.

Repairs can not be properly estimated, because your country schools have been neglected, and only minor repairs made. To put your country schools, all of them, in proper condition, will cost about as much as to construct a new building, capable of containing all the children in town. For they are dilapidated, and sadly in need of attention.

Then there is the question of equipment, blackboards, erasers etc. Cost will be greater for seven schools than for three or four, even if the seven are small schools.

Then come such things as school libraries, pictures, etc., which are of educational importance, and here again the number of schools makes cost greater.

There are many more things in favor of the consolidated plan, but space forbids more.

To sum up :

Your present system of maintaining a large number of small schools is an expensive system, and one tended to foster sectional, rather than town interests.

It gives you schools which are in poor repair, and not calculated to inspire in the pupils very much enthusiasm for education, now or hereafter. Go and look at these schools. You certainly can't be proud of them. You surely want something better for your children.

It gives you rather poorly paid teachers, and you can't very well increase the salary without extra expense.

Your attendance is not so good as that of the village school. Your number of cases of tardiness is twice as great.

Also, the interest in work is greater in a larger school. Pupils get more from recitations, gain considerable confidence, and get rid of diffidence and bashfulness. I have heard some people claim that the moral conditions are not so good in the larger schools, but my experience among my various country towns does not substantiate this claim. In fact, in many cases, I find the opposite true.

Now look at the whole question at issue, what is best to be done to improve conditions?

One of two things :

1. Repair your schools, and improve the general attractiveness of buildings and surroundings. Paint. Whitewash. Plaster. Finish inside; doors; windows. Provide better supplies; better heating; better lighting; better ventilation; better toilet facilities; better paid teachers; better everything. In short, you can't afford to go on as you have been for years past in these matters. You can't be satisfied with conditions as they are. You must want something better for your boys and girls.

2. Let the town build a new school, or enlarge the present high school building sufficiently (some change there must be made any way) and provide proper conveyance for the children of all rural sections straight to door of school.

The second is unquestionably the better, and with anything like equal efficiency, by far the cheaper to support. Your town will have to build, or enlarge the present high school building, very soon; accommodations are not sufficient for pupils in classes, and this year another room, capable of holding 25 pupils, was hired.

And when you do build, it will cost but little more to build for all. Your pupils can then have better heated, better lighted, better ventilated, better furnished, better supplied, better taught schools. And they will not have to walk through bad roads. They would not be tardy.

Now I know some of you will object. People always do to anything new or different. Men will arise who will proceed to show how it "Could never work in our town." Men will get up and condemn the whole thing as a piece of foolishness. They did that about the telegraph. They claimed Edison's telephone was a nice toy to amuse the baby, but never would be of any practical use. Of course it's got to be done right, or it will not work. Almost anything improperly done will be a failure. The biggest obstacle to be overcome however, is not physical, but mental. The inertia of popular opinion and the sentiment that "the way we have always done is good enough" is about the first, last and only really great obstacle.

Now understand me about this: I am not advocating this measure for immediate action. I am not advising the school board to adopt this plan. They never heard of it from me until they read it here. If the school board should propose such a plan now, I would fight against it; because I do not believe you are ready to adopt it. I would always oppose it,

even though I know it is right, until you say it is what you want. And so I am laying it before you first, because you are the people interested. And you are to be the judges. I do not advocate forcing this or any other policy upon an unwilling and resisting people.

If you are interested in this, I should be glad to give you further information or discuss the question with you. Only you will have to ask me: I do not propose to force my views upon you, if they are not wanted.

"Look before you leap" is a good maxim. I simply lay before you the thing which, as an educator, and one familiar with your conditions, I know is right, and capable of giving you better schools. Practical people of community after community have become convinced that this is feasible, and the start toward better things for the country boys and girls

Consider it, talk it over, take your time to look at it from all sides. And then adopt it, or reject it, as you please.

In the meantime, we will still keep on working to improve our schools as they are, not waiting for a decision on this question to solve our troubles.

PART II.

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE TOWN OF ALTON:

I have the honor to present my second annual report as superintendent of your schools, as follows:

1 SCHOOL SYSTEM.

With respect to this, I have little to say, and nothing to recommend now. My word to the citizens of the outside sections contains my ideas on this subject. I believe that is the solution of your problem. But I do not advise adopting this plan until the people realize that it is for their advantage to have it, and are ready for it. Then I will submit detailed report, if I am still with you.

The opening of another school in the village, and the consequent reduction of the number of grades under one teacher, has made a marked advance in the work of our pupils. I believe every grade has accomplished at least 50% more than last year, and I compliment the citizens of Alton on the wisdom of their action.

I spoke last year of the advisability of lengthening the year for our common schools. This can be done this year, and give every school at least 30 weeks. Again I compliment the citizens of Alton, but would remind them that I believe the length of year in all schools should be the same, if conditions permit.

2. ADMINISTRATION.

PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES.

Better rates are obtainable on orders in bulk, so we should endeavor to take advantage of this whenever possible. If you employ a superintendent, and he has other towns, he could act as purchasing agent for all, and obtain better rates by ordering all at once. I am not looking for the chance to do this. I have enough to keep me busy now; only that is one of the ways a superintendent could help you, and when you elect my successor, if the other towns are agreeable, you would do well to elect him on that basis, subject of course, to your approval and verification of every order.

HIRING TEACHERS.

Teachers should be hired by the year instead of by the term whenever possible. Every teacher, before assuming charge of the school, should be examined in the branches which she is to teach and a certificate granted, if she is qualified. If not qualified, she should not be allowed to teach. I recommend that certificates be granted to all teachers now employed in our schools. I further recommend that the services of these teachers, as long as they are of the same stand-

ard, be retained, for they are doing excellent work. We are working in harmony, and I should regret any change.

PAYING TEACHERS.

It seems to me that there should be certain definite days for paying teachers. And that this should be done monthly at a fixed time and place, where the school board, teachers, and superintendent may all meet and so discuss or suggest anything that may pertain to the welfare of the schools. This would provide regular school board meetings for the transaction of business, and would also serve as teachers' meetings for suggestions or general directions. It certainly is more business like, and would keep us all in closer touch with the schools and each other.

PERMANENT RECORDS.

In the first place I recommend that a safe and convenient place be provided for all public school records. There is no such place, and there are no such permanent records. There should be, and these records should be classified and arranged by years, and preserved always. I also suggest the purchase of suitable record books (a very small expense) for each department; that these be plainly marked and properly kept.

Such records, with the exception of registers more or less accurately kept, are usually unknown and unheard of in country schools. Each teacher is a law sufficient unto herself, who, when she takes the school, receives little if any information as to what had gone before; and who, when she departs, leaves little in the way of guidance to her successor.

Every good school should have the following permanent records:—

1. REGISTER CORRECTLY AND HONESTLY KEPT. An attempt at this is usual in every school. As a matter of fact a large per cent of teachers' registers are inac-

curate. This is due to ignorance of the correct form, or carelessness. I have examined many of the registers for previous years, and have found inaccuracies and inconsistencies in almost every one. This year I have had printed postals with the statistics for four weeks, mailed to me every month. This has enabled me to keep track of the attendance, etc., and has been the means of discovering and correcting several errors. There are doubtless some mistakes that have slipped past me, but at least I have been able to prevent some. I am ready to explain the mysteries of the register to any teacher at any time.

2. A RECORD OF EVERY PUPIL—his full name, age, grade, parent's name and occupation, with special note of any physical defect, or other useful information. These records have been made, and I have such information about every pupil in the district.

3. A RECORD OF THE DIFFERENT CLASSES, with names of the pupils in each class. This information is invaluable to a substitute or to a new teacher, and should be kept in plain sight in every teacher's desk, ready for instant reference. I have caused such to be made.

4. A WRITTEN DAILY PROGRAMME OR TIME TABLE. Many schools have no such thing, and you can easily see what an advantage this is to a new teacher, as well as to the regular teacher, pupils and visitors. It shows better than any other thing the work of the school. Each school has this posted in the room, and I have a duplicate.

5. A RECORD OF THE WORK DONE BY EACH CLASS, including pages in text books, topics, outline of subject, etc. The possession of such a thing for the previous year would prevent many of the dreary reviews and going over again processes so devoid of interest to the pupil. It also is a means by which the work may be checked up, and is

a definite statement of what the pupil has or has not been taught. By it we may see just where the various classes stand. By it we may judge the clearness and definiteness with which a subject has been presented, and by means of it bring to light many places where improvement is possible.

These have been made out on cards every four weeks. They are classified and filed in my office, and will be returned to the school at the end of the year.

6. A DEFINITE COURSE OF STUDY. We have been following, as nearly as possible, the uniform course for common schools in the state of New Hampshire, published by the State Department of Public Instruction. This course is already in use in many of the schools of the state, and being adopted by others every day. Its adoption will tend to make our schools more nearly alike, and when a family moves from one town to another, the children will not have to lose a year or two because the courses are different.

The course is broad enough to allow for local conditions, and variation in detail, and contains many suggestions on outline and teaching of great value to teachers. A copy has been placed in every school and it should serve as a guide and subject of study for every teacher. It is the result of the combined efforts of the best educators of New England, and is of far greater value than that which any one man or any school board could provide. Having a course is one thing, and following it is another. The checking up by means of item 5 helps on this.

7. A RECORD OF PUPILS' WORK AND A REPORT OF SAME TO PARENTS. These reports are for the purpose indicated on the back of each, and have been sent out so that the parents may have some idea of how the pupil is getting along.

8. A RECORD OF THE BOOKS ON HAND. Many teachers have a rather vague knowledge of the books in their

own school. And sometimes school boards do not exactly know what is on hand for text material.

A record of all books, their titles, authors, publishers, number and condition should be kept, and revised up to date as often as any changes are made. This record should show both the books in actual use, and the books on hand, but not in use, as well. You have kept such record, I find.

9. A RECORD OF BOOKS LOANED TO EACH PUPIL. Every text book, upon purchase, should be stamped with the school district stamp, and a label (for record of pupil who uses it) pasted in front. This label should state the conditions under which the book is loaned to the pupil.

Each book should have a number, and this number, with the name of the pupil and the date, recorded by the teacher.

Free text books cost the town money. They should be looked after with extreme care, and pupils should be held strictly accountable for proper use of them. I strongly urge teachers, school boards, pupils and parents to greater care in this matter, as it means hundreds of dollars to the town, besides the moral effect of respect for the rights and property of others.

I recommend the purchase of record books (such as published by Lee and Shepard) made especially for this, one or more for each teacher, and advise more strict and accurate account of text books. It is some trouble, of course, to do this, but it means an annual saving of perhaps hundreds of dollars to the taxpayers. Besides, it is business, a strictly business proceeding; and it sometimes seems as if business methods and the public schools needed an introduction.

10. AN ACCURATE RECORD BY THE TEACHERS OF ALL SUPPLIES RECEIVED, WITH DATES AND AMOUNTS. There is waste in the use of supplies. A sheet of paper wasted every day by each pupil means at the end of

the year, a loss of four or five dollars to the district. The same applies to pencils, pens, blotters, chalk, etc.

I do not mean to be niggardly in regard to supplies. That would be poor economy. But I do mean that the teacher should take great pains to teach the value of economy and to avoid waste in the use of materials.

So I recommend that each teacher be provided with a book (such may be purchased of supply dealers for a few cents) made especially for such record, and that account be made of every article supplied at public expense, and that such account be returned to the Supt. of schools, and through him to the school board, at the close of every term.

This will not only account for what becomes of our supplies, but also enable us to check up and detect waste, as well as furnish a basis for estimate of purchase for succeeding years.

Again it is an application of business methods to schools and a strict application of such methods, with frequent checking up, will reveal many a leak, and result in saving your district many dollars. Only, someone has to have charge of it, and be given authority to handle it as he sees fit, or you can not place responsibility.

III. THE SCHOOLS THEMSELVES.

PHYSICAL AND SANITARY CONDITIONS.

1. TOILET FACILITIES. Without sewerage or other proper means of disposing of waste matter this question becomes extremely difficult to settle. At the same time, it is the most important question that a local school board ever has to consider, and one which is universally neglected, and passed over as of secondary consideration, or regarded as a negligible quantity in the solution of the school problem.

The results of its solution affect a school in three ways—physically—mentally—morally. And the greatest of these is morally.

It's a question of which the average citizen fights shy, and the average school board dare not attack. It is usually dismissed by rural citizens with the soothing remark that it is "as good as we had when we went to school" or "as good as other country towns have," both of which are disgracefully true, but of no value toward a solution of the problem.

What we need is the advice of a competent sanitarian backed up by a little hard cash.

This suggestion, as my others, I give you because I know it is right. You may heed it or not. If your schools as they are, are good enough for you, they surely are good enough for me. Neither you nor I have to go to them. But your children do, and they are not good enough for them, by considerable.

And the sop to conscience, the makeshift afforded by a few pine boards, or a coat of paint, will not settle the matter. It should be well done; for it surely is worth doing.

2. WATER. The usual provision for supply, except in the village, is a well on or about the school grounds, or the pump of some obliging neighbor.

The usual provision inside the school is an ordinary pail, and one or more glasses or tin dippers. The pail is filled and placed in the entry in the morning. It has no cover. Whatever dust is raised, or is in the air, settles on the surface. The pupils dip a more or less dirty mug or dipper (occasionally a finger or two) into it, and drink.

Now this water becomes warm; particles of dust get into it; sometimes the pail is emptied before the session is over, since water for lavatory purposes also is taken from it. Sometimes the whole drinking outfit does not offer very great temptation to imbibe.

The result is that the pupils do not drink as much as they need. The growing boy or girl needs considerable water.

The pupil can not do his work properly when suffering from thirst. Of much greater importance, he can not be properly nourished without plenty of water. He surely ought to be provided with all the pure, cool, wholesome, refreshing water that he wants.

He ought to be able, nay encouraged if need be, to wash his hands when they are dirty, and to appear with a clean face.

Habits of personal cleanliness, neatness and propriety will be a much more valuable asset to a graduate of our schools than geography. Yet it seems as if we usually fail to devote much time to teaching the former, and lay considerable stress on the latter (with rather meager results, at that.) I frequently find items for expenditure for geographies or physiologies, but not often for articles calculated to apply to hygienic teaching, namely—soap and towels.

I therefore recommend that a water tank, of three or four gallon capacity, made of porcelain, enameled iron, or granite ware, with a cover and faucet, be provided for each school, and a suitable stand for same procured. I further recommend that each school be provided with a basin, a cake of Ivory soap, a towel rack, and a dozen towels.

Pupils and teachers both have to do work in school which soils the hands. I have no use for the boy or girl, man or woman, who is afraid to soil his hands when necessary. But he should have a chance to wash them, and a clean towel to wipe them on, afterward.

CLEANLINESS

Comes next to water here, and applies to the school, inside and outside; to the entry, the yard, the woodshed, the out-house, and to everything connected with the school. As I said before, habits of neatness and cleanliness will go farther than arithmetic toward the making of a good citizen. That's what our schools are for—to make good citizens; to assist in developing upright moral character.

We believe in arithmetic, and will do all in our power to help on that, but we must not forget the things of which I have been speaking so far, have as much influence on the pupil and his life, as our regular studies; perhaps more.

I have been in some of your homes,—Your dining rooms and your kitchens. They looked neat and clean. You must have swept and dusted; and scrubbed occasionally, maybe; sometimes washed the windows, too. Some of you know how hard it is to keep a house clean when you have a child or two coming in and out several times a day. From 14 to 40 children pass in and out of our school houses eight times each day, not to count the various goings back and forth DURING recesses and noon hour. Isn't that a problem for more than a boy or girl janitor?

Our schools should be cleaned more frequently than they are. The floors should be scrubbed, the windows washed, the walls wiped, at the end of every term. The ceiling whitened, the paint renewed, frequently.

The school should be one of the cleanest and most attractive places that the child enters. Frequently it is the dirtiest.

It should receive as careful attention as our own home. The entry and shed should receive equal attention. The yard should be kept in good order, and free from sticks and stones, rubbish, paper, apple cores, crusts of bread, etc.

Every school should have a waste can, one of those made of corrugated iron, reinforced by ash, with a cover. This should be a receptacle for all refuse in the form of animal and vegetable matter. It should be emptied regularly and contents disposed of.

4. HEATING.

No school house can be properly heated by a wood stove. The iron jacket surrounding the stoves helps matters. A fire screen or shield is of some advantage. But at best it is a poor way of heating. It requires constant attention to se-

cure results at all satisfactory. And constant attention is just what a stove in a school can't get, without taking attention from other matters. Pupils near the stove are too warm. Those in the back part of the room are too cold. Until we get a school provided with a proper heating arrangement, the best work is impossible.

Of course we may not be able to heat each school by means of a furnace in the basement. This is undoubtedly the better method, and is possible in the larger schools.

We can't have all the modern conveniences at once. We could not afford to provide them. But we can adopt them one by one; and improved heating facilities certainly deserve a place on our list.

With our present method, we can provide fire screens, and see that each stove is kept in good condition, so that it may not be the cause of annoyance or waste. I estimate that the lack of a proper damper increases the expense for fuel from 20 to 30%.

But I believe that if you used coal instead of wood for fuel, you would obtain more satisfactory results. Wood gives heat quickly, but does not maintain a steady heat. It requires frequent attention, and the continual opening of the stove allows more or less smoke to escape. This makes the ceiling and walls dark and dingy in a very short time, and surely adds to your bill for cleaning, painting and whitewashing, if you pretend to keep the school looking fresh and clean. And at the present prices of wood and coal, I think coal would be cheaper. Of course you would have to provide coal stoves, but even including that expense, I think you would save money by using coal, besides having greater comfort, with less dirt and smoke. Also, a thermometer should be provided for each school; the feelings of pupils or teacher are not reliable guides for regulating temperature.

5. VENTILATING.

The necessity of special provision for ventilation never occurs to a great many citizens. Now you have got to have good pure fresh air, and plenty of it, in a school, or your pupils will be dull and stupid. Impure air poisons the blood and kills thought.

In visiting your schools, I frequently come in and find the temperature and air such that I, at least, could not do very much clear thinking. The pupils and teacher do not notice it so much, for they have been there, and have become accustomed to the condition. But it hurts their work just the same.

Now you should not ventilate by opening doors and windows. That is dangerous, because of the draughts created. In cold weather, pupils should not be allowed to sit under open windows or in draughts. The teacher should be especially careful in this respect. Here again is an imperfection in our country schools, in that no suitable means of ventilation is usually provided when the building is constructed. As a simple, cheap, and fairly satisfactory relief, I suggest the purchase of window boards (cost may range from 3c to 25c each) for each school.

Simply $\frac{1}{2}$ inch boards of clear pine or whitewood, as wide as the window and six or eight inches high. Then you can raise the windows, each a little, and the air will blow up over the boards, not directly upon any pupil.

6. CONDITION OF SCHOOLS AND REPAIRS.

Special appropriation should be made to remedy sanitary conditions at all schools. I call attention of school board to conditions at high school building, in particular.

Special appropriation should be made to repair the Clough school. This school is in extremely poor condition, and should be practically built over—paint, inside and outside; plaster, new boards, new floor, new sills, new furniture, are

all necessary. I estimate the expense at \$250. Other schools need repair too. You certainly can not afford to take all at once. I suggest the Clough first, because it is one of the largest schools, and in the poorest condition. The Mountain school needs attention too, and should come next in order, if you can not repair that at the same time.

Very soon you will have to face the problem of providing a new building or enlarging the present high school building, for you have had 81 pupils in the village schools this year, not including the high school, and not including pupils who came in after the outside schools were closed. Indications point to about the same or possibly larger enrollment next year. These pupils can not be provided for in your two rooms there. This year you had to hire an extra room, which, although it was obtained for a reasonable rent, and has served its purpose very well, is only a makeshift, not a proper school building.

Your high school building needs attention in the line of general repair. I will call attention to details when you are ready.

I would also remind both school board and citizens (as well as teachers) of the very great influence that the condition of the school has upon the pupils. Dilapidated and disfigured buildings, torn and tattered text books, the marks of a policy of neglect, tend to produce shiftless and slovenly boys and girls, who will soon grow up to take their places as citizens, and who will then, in consequence of the fact that their own schools contained little to which they looked with pride, pleasure or reverence, have an indifferent and unappreciative attitude toward schools and education.

There are many sections of this grand old Granite State which are, I am sorry to say, living examples of this very thing—where the present indifference or even hostility to

educational progress may be traced back to the ignorance of criminal neglect of the authorities of other days.

So, "lest we forget," I say look well to the condition of your schools. Look well to the condition of your schools to-day; that the children of the future may not have a heritage of shame. The best indication of the efficiency of any school system of the past, is the willingness and liberality with which its pupils, grown to manhood, provide for the schools of the present.

7. ARTISTIC DECORATIONS.

The school should be not only clean and neat, sanitary, well furnished and well supplied, but also (will you look upon me as a dreamer if I say it?) beautiful.

Unless we put into our schools things upon which the child can look with pleasure because they are beautiful, we are neglecting one of the greatest opportunities for civilizing and refining mankind.

Space will not allow me to speak as fully as I would like, so I must dismiss this topic with two remarks. 1. We need beautiful pictures, casts, reliefs, flowers, school grounds, music, to enrich and refine the life of our country children. For I tell you that there may be more of culture, refinement, good manners and morals absorbed in one month through the unconscious influence of environment, than can be taught in a year by lecturing and advising.

2. That in this, as in other things, we must go according to our means, not launch out extravagantly; but a start can be made, if ever so humble, and only the best will do.

The plain severity of bare walls is preferable to cheap art, and one really good picture is worth a thousand chromos.

If any of our citizens, interested for the children, along this line, care to make a gift, any one of the following would be acceptable for a start in our schools:

The Gleaners	Millet
The Golden Stair	Burne Jones
Caritas	Abbott Thayer
Fighting Temeraire	Turner
Madonna of the Chair	Raphael
Aurora	Guido Reni
Curiosity	Pasini
King Midas and Daughter	Gibson
The First Step	Millet
Ploughing in the Nivernaise	Rosa Bonheur
The Return to the Farm	Troyon
Member of Humane Society	Landseer
Capitol at Washington	Photograph

8. SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

The school attempts to teach children how to read. Is it not of equal importance that they should be assisted in the choice of what to read?

I have not in mind reference books or cyclopedias, nor an elaborate case of finely bound books. Those are good, of course. But I do mean a neat, attractive little bookcase with a few volumes that the children may read simply because they are interesting and delightful.

There are many moments in school when a pupil would be well served if he could put his hand on a good book, worth the reading, to use for himself. Where no library exists a start should be made; and where one is already started, a few books should be added each year.

I have prepared a list of books, but space forbids printing it here.

When such a library does exist, it does not solve the problem; for it must be kept in good condition, and used, to be of any benefit. And to its proper use and care the teacher must attend, both with respect to knowing the books herself, and directing and assisting the pupils.

B. SCHOOL STUDIES AND INSTRUCTIONS.

(Visits of Superintendent to date 95.)

1. Work. In general I am pleased to report favorable progress in all schools. So many of the teachers have been able to bring their classes into line with the state course, that we have practically eight graded schools. The reduction of grades under each teacher in the village has greatly assisted our work, and I believe the present ninth grade will enter the high school better prepared than any entering class for some years. I am even optimistic on the grammar question, to which I referred last year.

The high school course in English has been strengthened by making this subject compulsory every day in years one, two and three; and four times per week in senior year. We have also prescribed United States History in senior year. In conformity to demands of state, we have been obliged to add to our laboratory equipment, in order to secure approval. We have done this and now stand approved.

Our teachers deserve special mention for the good work they have done this year. The schools have improved, and the greatest portion of the credit belongs to the teachers.

2 TEXTS.

In general, we are fairly well supplied with text books. There are two or three branches where we are weak; for example, arithmetic, grammar and supplementary reading. I used to think, and still do for the competent teacher with reasonable time at her disposal, that any good text would do for an arithmetic. But my experience with rural schools has led me to believe that the text is of the utmost importance and that upon its careful selection depends in a great measure the progress of the class. For the busy teacher usually relies upon it largely for outline and explanation, and almost wholly for problem assignments. The same applies to gram-

mar, it being understood of course, that in the case of both arithmetic and grammar, painstaking and careful drill are necessary in addition to book work.

My point is that country schools need texts more complete in detail and more abundantly supplied with problems and supplementary exercises, than those frequently used with good results in city schools, simply because our country teachers have less time for this kind of work.

In regard to reading, I would say to the school board and citizens that this is a place where our country schools are usually weak, especially with respect to a provision of adequate text material.

The popular idea is that a pupil who has read through a primer, is ready for a first reader; that having read through that, he should take a second reader, and so on. That is a wrong idea, and is responsible for much poor reading. Reading one primer does not usually give the pupil practice enough to enable him to meet the increased difficulty of the first reader, and stumbling is a result. He should read two or three books of same grade, before he takes a more advanced.

This will not solve the reading problem by any means. I would like to say more about it some other time.

Now our texts on arithmetic and grammar are worn and old, and must be replaced any way very soon, so my recommendation for change of text here involves no extra expense; in fact, it lessens it, as you can get a lower price for introduction of a new text.

The additional reading books should be supplied as we can afford it.

History, Geography and Spelling books come next in need for future.

3. TEACHING AND METHODS.

We need better teaching, and methods involving less waste of time. When I say this, I do not mean to disparage the work of our teachers. On the contrary they deserve praise and credit for the faithful work they have done; and the work of these, or of any successful teachers, is worth many times the salary you or any other towns pay. Increase it, if you can

But I do say that in this, as with you and me, and all of us, there is room for improvement. This seems to me to be best accomplished by the following means, in order of importance:

1. Study by the teacher, directed to two ends,—(a) better knowledge, more complete and detailed mastery of the subjects taught. This is obtained by reading the best available text book material, making outlines, doing actual school work and hard study. I am ready to assist any teacher in such work by advice on what books to study, how to study them, or by actual instruction, so far as I am able to give it, upon any point not clear. I make no attempt to force any teacher to such study, if she feels that she does not wish to do it. But it is a vital point, and is one of the ways in which teachers may profit by a superintendent, if they are willing to do the work.

(b) Better knowledge of the principles of teaching, and the facts upon which these principles are based.

There are many excellent books upon education, written by practical educators after years of thought and experience, which the teacher may use to increase her power, if she will take the trouble to study them. There are also many worthless books on the same subject. I have read quite a number of both kinds, and can save teachers much waste of energy by recommending such as I know to be of real value.

Now I think here is a point almost universally overlooked by school authorities in country towns—That while they un-

hesitatingly expend hundreds of dollars annually for free text books for pupils, I have known of but few instances where they have ever spent a cent for books calculated to instruct teachers. And a great many times a few dollars invested this way would produce results far greater.

You may ask, why do not teachers purchase such books for themselves? Well, they may not know there are such, for one thing. Or they may not know where to get them, or what to get. Or they may get a poor book and apply Quixotic schemes to school work. Or they may be deluded into thinking they can't afford it. Or again, it may be they just need a little encouragement along that line.

Now I propose the following plan:

That the town of Stratham buy

2 Education of Central Nervous System—Halleck, McMillan,	\$1 25
Elements of General Method—McMurray, McMillan	1 00
The Method of the Recitation “ “	1 00
Methods of Mind Training—Aiken, A. B. C. . . .	80

That the town of Rye buy

2 Talks to Teachers—James, McMillan	\$1 25
2 Elements of General Method—McMurray, McMillan	1 00
Among Country Schools—Kern, Ginn & Co . . .	1 25
How to Enjoy Pictures—Emery, Prang Ed. Co . .	1 25
Methods of Mind Training—Aiken, A. B. C. . . .	80

That the town of Greenland buy

The Basis of Practical Teaching—Byran, S. B. & Co	1 25
2 Methods of the Recitation—McMurray, McMillan	1 00
School Sanitation and Decoration—Burrage & Bailey, Heath	1 25
Elements of General Method—McMurray, McMillan	1 00

That the town of Newington buy

Way Marks for Teachers—Arnold, S. B. & Co . . .	\$1 25
Reading—Lang, Heath	75
Apperception—Lang, Heath	75
How to Tell Stories to Children—Bryant, H.M. & Co	85
Plans for Busy Work—Arnold, S. B. & Co	50

And that Alton purchase

The Recitation—Hamilton, Lippincott's	1 10
Old Tales and Modern Ideals—Phillips, Silver, Burdett	1 25
Education of the Central Nervous System—Halleck, McMillan	1 25
Psychological Principles of Education—Horne, McMillan	1 75
Special Method in English Classics—McMillan,	75

I have read all these books. I believe they are based upon sound principles and would be of great help to teachers who will really study them.

We could form a circulating library, and exchange books, so that at a reasonable cost for each town, the teachers could have the benefit of a number of good books. And through these may not only see greater possibilities in the work before them, but may by further study and subsequent purchase of books on their own responsibility become really superior teachers.

I should be glad to take up these books with the teachers and discuss so far as I am able, the application of the principles set forth to our own school work.

2. TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

At these, matters pertaining to the school may be discussed by teachers, school boards, or supt. They provide an opportunity for the expression of opinion from several persons

upon one topic, and may be made of great value to the teacher who really seeks assistance, and is willing to do some work herself in order to secure it.

Talking over school problems with the other teachers, and the superintendent, will afford some help. These meetings may be held by closing schools in the afternoon occasionally, or after school, or on Saturday. I do not like to close school for this purpose very often. It becomes dark soon after close of school. Teachers do not always feel eager to devote part of Saturday to such purpose.

The suggestion that I made with regard to paying teachers, if adopted, will simplify matters somewhat. And we can find time in one of the other ways now and then. This is a feature which should be approved by people and school boards, and made more of, if it can be arranged.

3 INDIVIDUAL TALKS AND SUGGESTIONS AT TIME OF SCHOOL VISITS

This is probably the way which most directly helps the teacher. It is greatly facilitated by the first and second ways mentioned, because a knowledge of such principles as are found in the works named above, may make a simple suggestion from the superintendent perfectly clear, the suggestion calling to mind the fact which the teacher knew, but was neglecting to apply properly. While a teacher who does not know the principles referred to, will find the suggestions rather blind, without lengthy and detailed explanation. The presence of pupils, or the time, occasionally prevents as full discussion as one could desire, hence the necessity for my second point, the teachers' meeting, where detailed explanation may be given to all teachers at once.

These three ways together will produce a marked improvement in instruction, if the teacher is capable and willing to work, and the superintendent is competent.

4. VISITING OTHER SCHOOLS.

The benefit derived from this is directly dependent upon points 1, 2, and 3, as well as the teacher's own experience. It is possible to visit a school and gain little by so doing. The teacher who knows little of the principles of method, who has little of science in her own work, will be able to see in the work of even an expert teacher but a small part of what is revealed to the teacher with a knowledge of those "principles, and considerable skill of her own. It is the same old principle of "the more you know, the more you can see and learn"—"To him that hath shall be given." The parable of the talents applies here, too.

I have visited schools in Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and other places accessible to our teachers, and can direct them to the grades where they can see the kind of work they are after, without loss of time; and can direct attention to the particular features of the work that have most influence in producing results. I should be glad to take teachers for visiting days whenever the board deems it advisable. Personally, I should like greater freedom to visit schools in other places myself. And if the district would make provision so that I could do so, I believe the results would justify it. As it is, I do not like to take a day from any town for this purpose.

5. TEACHERS' INSTITUTES.

I place this last, not because it is of less value absolutely, but because the opportunity for this comes so seldom, that practically it is of less value than the others. I strongly urge teachers to attend institutes whenever practicable for them to do so.

C. ATTENDANCE.

1. I believe we should admit new first grade pupils only in the fall.

The school year commences in the fall. The work is started then, and continued from that point until June. If

you allow new pupils to enter in the middle of the year, you instantly increase the number of classes by two surely, probably by three. And the greatest fault in our teaching now is that there are too many classes. This rule enforced will help our schools. It does not apply, of course, to pupils who can take their places in classes already existing.

2. I believe many pupils enter school too young. Some people are anxious to send children to school at an early age, because it gets them out of the way for 6 or 7 hours a day. Pupils vary in ability. Some children at the age of 5 are more developed than others at 6 or 7. But if I were to recommend a fixed age for admission, I should say six years.

3. We need a greater sense of responsibility on the part of parents. Nothing should be allowed to interfere with the attendance of children except the following: 1. Sickness of child. 2. Exposure to contagious disease. 3. Impassable condition of roads. 4. Death in family. Keeping pupils at home to work is illegal, and punishable by a fine. The best school on earth would not help your children, unless they attend regularly. It is the first requisite of a good school.

4. We need a district by-law on truancy, making compulsory the attendance of children between the ages of 14 and 16, unless they are engaged in some regular and legal employment. It would be well also to fix a legal minimum age.

TARDINESS

TO PARENTS AND PUPILS:

Every case of tardiness injures our school. Every time a pupil is late, it detracts from the general efficiency of the session. It not only interrupts the work, takes the attention of other pupils and bothers the teacher, but it also has a bad influence upon the school as a whole, and upon the individual members of it. It's a bad example. More than that, it is exceedingly harmful in its effect upon the pupil who is tardy.

It is a wrong principle. If repeated it is a start toward a bad habit. The habits we form in childhood and youth are hard to break. If these are good, we are likely to become good and useful men and women. If bad, we are handicapped by them.

Being behind time has caused much inconvenience, many great calamities, wrecked lives and changed the destiny of empires. The success and safety of many a great system depends upon certain things being done at certain times, and done promptly to the second.

He who is behind time soon loses the confidence and respect of his associates. No one likes to do business with the man who is "behind time." "Yes," you say, "but is being late at school so very bad?" IT IS. For it is principally a matter of habit. It's just as easy to be on time, as a few minutes late. One is right; the other wrong.

We therefore urge parents to assist us in this, and see to it that their children are at school, and on time, every session. No school which has poor attendance or a large number of tardinesses can be called a good school. Every single case counts, and goes to swell the total. These schools are yours. They are for your children. We are trying to make them good schools; schools which will help your children to become good men and women. You must help us. And this is one of the ways in which you can do it.

Above all, I wish to urge citizens to pay more attention to the schools. This is a democratic government of ours. Its permanence and its stability rest ultimately upon the intelligence of the individual voter. We today understand that education is the one and only safe, sure, and reliable means by

which we can provide that "that government of the people, by the people and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

We should be anxious not merely to have schools as good as the average. We should not rest content with educational facilities as good as those when we were boys. We should not be satisfied with what we have, simply because we have become accustomed to it, unless it's the very best we can afford.

It takes very little to satisfy some people.

But it takes something to satisfy the boys and girls growing up with their eyes open.

How many country boys drop out of school as soon as they attain legal age, and sometimes (to the disgrace of the community, but a fact nevertheless) before legal age, just because they find nothing in that country school to attract them, nothing that seems really worth while?

How many country boys leave the farm and drift into the city because they are not satisfied with farm life? Not that they object to hard work, most country boys are willing to do hard work, but simply because, as Supt. Korn of Illinois says, "day after day and month after month they get hard work and nothing but hard work."

And they get sick of it, and go where they can get some diversion, some amusement; not always the kind that's best for them, but something they can't get in the country, any way.

How many families move from the country into the city so that their children may have better educational opportunities, better schools, music, art, libraries, lectures and social intercourse?

And there is no reason why they should have to leave the country to get this. There is no reason why our country places can't afford these things. And they will if the country people will give more thought, more attention and more money to their schools. It's through the schools that such things come, and it's the schools you have got to improve and perhaps change a little to hold your country blood where it belongs, in the country.

There is no reason why country schools should not be just exactly as good as city schools. They are not, and it's because they have not received the attention that city schools have. Our cities have been growing, and our country places have not.

This pouring into the cities has made attention to the city schools an absolute necessity, and they are now fairly well organized through years of experience by men who have made them their life study. But the country schools have been neglected. Nobody, until recently, has made much of a study of country schools. They have just rubbed along as best they could, picked up such method and organization as they could second hand from the cities, or constantly changing school boards could give them.

What system of country schools has been under the charge of one competent superintendent for a score of years? What country community has kept the same corps of competent teachers for a dozen years? But we are beginning to see that country schools are worth as much attention as city schools, and are capable of producing as good, if not better results.

Now in regard to what shall be taught in our schools, there is of course, a consensus of opinion as to the fundamentals. But in the application of them I believe that our country schools should cut loose from the policy of the cities. The average boy or girl in the city school is going to have

little practical use for a knowledge of soil chemistry, rotation of crops, or the principles upon which they are based. He will have no particular interest in elementary agriculture or stock raising or the prevention and destruction of insect pests. It will probably make little difference to him whether he knows about fruit growing and tree spraying or not,

But these things will be of vital concern to the country boy if he remains on the farm. Our education should not be of a nature calculated to lead the country boy away from the farm and into the city. It should be of such a nature that he can take a place in the city, if he so desires, but I tell you I believe from the bottom of my heart that a school which will lead that boy to see something of the possibilities on the farm, some of the opportunities there for the exercise of all his powers, and all his talents and education and skill, and will lead him to acquire such education and then to stay at home and apply it, that school will do more of the Lord's work than a dozen of our ordinary schools, feeble imitations of city systems.

I believe our country schools should fit a boy to take his place anywhere in the world. That's all right. My plan would not change that at all. But I do think we ought to make some provision in them, which we do not now, for information along lines that will direct his attention, and lead him to apply his knowledge to matters of vital interest which he passes every day with heedless eyes. And that some provision should be made for keeping our good, clean, young country blood and brains, some of it any way, in the country where it belongs and can do the most good. And the community that will awake to the situation, seek information along this line, and make a start, will in twenty years' time, produce a race of farmers who can meet their taxes without an objection, and provide adequately for the education of their children, because they will have mixed brains with their muscle, and will have used their heads and hands in harmony.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

PART III.

Statistics, in following order:

1. Roll of Honor.
2. Statistics for Town, for 1905-6.
3. Statistics for first term of 1906-7.

ROLL OF HONOR FOR YEAR 1905-6.

Ella M. Adams	Charlie Glidden
Cyrus Furber	Frank W Gray
Mildred Gilman	Gertrude McNayr
Ivan Gilman	Percy Rollins

FOR ONE TERM 1906-7.

Albert Adams	Ralph Kimball
Ella M Adams	Gertrude McNayr
Wallace Adams	Rexford Normand
Maud Bean	Mildred Proctor
Annie Colbath	Hazel Ricker
Leon Dore	Verna Ricker
Raymond Dore	Howard A Rollins
Gladys Dodge	Percy L Rollins
Raymond Duncan	Lila Sanborn
Ruth G Flanders	Gladys Smith
Elsie M Flanders	Roger S Smith
Cyrus Furber	Etta Smith
Fannie Kimball	Mina Smith
Helen Kimball	Edith Welch

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR TOWN.

	1904-5	1905-6	1906-7
	year	year	1 term
*Length of common schools (weeks)	24.7	26	†
Whole number of pupils registered	205	214	184
Boys	99	106	87
Girls	106	108	97
Average daily attendance	156	163	155.4
“ “ absence	16	17	11.4
“ “ membership	172	180	166.8
Per cent of attendance	90	90	93
No. cases tardiness recorded by teachers	421	756	420
Av. weekly salary of common school teachers	\$7.77	7.75	7.80
Roll of honor shown by figures(not names)	14	9	28
No. teachers not high school graduates	3	1	1
No. teachers grad. of normal school	2	3	3
No. ungraded schools	7	5	3
No. graded schools	3	6	8
No of schools of 12 pupils or less	6	3	4
No. visits by Supt.		173	71
“ “ School Board	74	31	25
“ “ Citizens	522	457	228

* McDuffee 27 weeks Loon Cove 11 weeks. All others 26.

† First term for village schools 15 weeks. First term for outside schools 19 weeks. Mountain school 20 weeks.

STATISTICS FOR FIRST TERM OF 1906-7.
By Schools.

	High	Grammar	Intermediate	Primary	Bay	Clough	Mountain	Gore	McDuffee	Loon Cove	West Alton
Weeks in term	15	15	15	15	19	19	20	19	19	19	19
Whole no. diff. pupils	27	34	19	23	10	16	17	12	9	5	7
Boys	12	17	8	12	3	9	10	7	4	1	4
Girls	15	17	11	16	7	7	7	5	5	4	3
Average daily attendance	21.3	29.6	17.9	23.7	8.7	14	14.4	8.13	7.54	4	5.9
“ “ absence	1.7	1.2	.4	.7	8	1.1	1.94	1.7	.3	.97	.4
“ “ membership	23	30.8	18.3	24.4	9.5	15.1	16.7	9.8	7.8	4.97	6.3
Per cent of attendance	92	96	97	97	91	92	88	83	96	80	93
No. cases tardiness	39	61	17	40	47	67	32	44	64	8	1
No. visits by Supt.	9	8	6	12	5	7	4	5	6	4	4
No. visits of School Board		6	2	7	3	1	1	1	2	1	1
No. visits by others	13	18	25	30	44	15	7	5	8	17	40
Roll of honor	2	5	6	6	0	3	0	0	1	0	3
Salary per week	\$28.75	\$10	10	10	7	7	8	7	6	6	1.2
Distribution of pupils by grades	1	11	111	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII		IX	High
	21	20	22	19	16	15	1	14		24	23

In closing, I wish to thank the school board for the continuance of cordial support; the teachers for loyalty and conscientious effort; and last, but by no means least of all, the pupils for the spirit of friendliness with which they have received my visits.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT J. SISK.

LIBRARY REPORT.

DR.

To cash on hand Feb 15, 1906	\$ 38 12
Received of town treasurer	161 30
" for magazine returned	2 50
" int. on Eveline L Palmer fund	17 50
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Total	\$219 42

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By cash paid for magazines	\$ 23 15
Freight	1 19
Books, Charles E Lauriet	140 71
Binding books, Geo. Veal	20 55
Printing catalogue	8 00
Making catalogue	5 00
Postage	54
Tapers	25
By cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	20 03
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Total	\$219 42
Number of books in library	2,740
Loaned during the year	7,950

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA M. WRIGHT,	}	Library
ALONZO S. FRENCH,		
OLIVER J. M. GILMAN,		Trustees.

Date of Birth.	Name of the Child. (If any.)	Sex Condition.				Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father. Age of Mother.
		Male.	Female.	Living or Deceased.	Color.								
Jan 20	Normal A	M	F	9	W	George E. Prescott	Lillian M. Jones	W	Alton	Carpenter	Alton	Alton Belmont	44
Feb 10	Leona May	M	F	1		Edward E. Prima	Grace S. Clark	"	"	Engineer	Montmarbo	"	38
Mar 20		M	F	1		Allison E. Rhee	Leita Walker	"	"	Farmer	Alton	"	36
Apr 20		M	F	1		William Nute	Minnie Avery	"	Farmington	Shoemaker	Alton	Barnstead	34
May 30	Lonang Nettie	M	F	1		Albert Whitehouse	Alma M. Jones	"	Alton	Watchman	Alton	Alton	34
Jun 30		M	F	1		Albert Smith	Cora B. Richardson	"	Alton	Teamster	Alton	"	34
Jul 30		M	F	1		Cyrus S. Harrington	Maud Kimball	"	"	Farmer	Eaton	Wolfeboro	33
Aug 30		M	F	1		George D. Elliott	Grover B. Cox	"	"	Teamster	Ramsey	Tuftsboro	28
Sep 30	Blanch Viola	M	F	1		Ernest C. Smith	Ethel A. Weale	"	"	R & R Employee	Uttamton	Alton	28
Oct 30		M	F	1		Harold C. Hicker	Mary C. Flanders	"	"	Lawyer	New Durham	"	27
Nov 30		M	F	1		Luther F. Elliott	Maud A. Nute	"	"	"	Rumney	Rumney	26
Dec 30		M	F	1			Eva M. Wile	"	"	"	"	"	24

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at time of Marriage.	Age of Groom.	Color of Groom.	Color of Bride.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan 13	Alton	Fred L Hill	Alton	27	W	W	Letter	Coatbrook Can	Charles Hill Nelle Curran	Barnston, Can Sherrbrook, Can	Farmer Cutter		P N Saltmarsh Clergman Alton
Mar 28	Alton	Rub M Clough Harold C Ricker	Alton Alton	25 19			Typewriter Livoryman	Alton New Durham	David & Clough Rosetta E Miller Charles H Ricker	Can Lowell, Mass New Durham	Carpenter Housewife Merchant		E W Cammings Clergyman Alton
Sept 5	Saltbury, Mass	Maud A Nule Harry E Whitehouse	Alton Alton	16 28			Stone Mason	Alton	Emma A Stevens George E Nuto Amanda Jones	Alton New Durham Alton	Housewife Farmer Housewife		Irving C Brown Clergyman Salem, Mass
Sept 18	Gilford	Elizabeth C True Charles F Hatch	Saltbury, Mass Alton	23 32			Teacher	Saltbury	Cues W Whitehouse George E Knutson Israel True	Hampton Salem, Mass Salem, Mass	Stone Mason Housewife Farmer		Arthur H Dewey
Oct 5	Alton	Saphronia A Buswell John D DeLoe	Alton Cambridge, Mass	44 31			Housewife Styng artist	Worcester Boston	John & Helen George & Helen	Worcester Boston	Farmer wife		
		Grace E Wilcox	Cambridge, Mass	31			Styng artist	Boston					

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Color.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
				Male, Female.	White, Col. or W. F.		Father.	Mother.			
Jan "	1 Prescott		Alton	M	F	W	Alton	Alton	Geo R Prescott	Lillian M Jones	Silliness
Feb "	18 Joseph Dore	50	Il	M	F	W	Farmor	Alton	Henry Dore	Sally Gerrish	Old age
"	3 C. Himmelfrick	78	Il	M	F	W	Barnstead	Barnstead	Jonah Pickens	Sarah A. Clark	Valvular Disease Heart
"	1 Mary E. Holsen	78	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Durham	John Holsen	Charles Manning	Chronic Bronchitis
"	26 John Flinders	64	Il	M	F	W	Mason	Hampton	Geo N Flinders	Sarah A. Clark	Chronic Bronchitis
"	25 Aaron J. Varney	63	Il	M	F	W	Farmor	Alton	Moultonhere	Annie Davis	Tuberculosis
Apr "	1 Mary C. Plaford	62	Alton	F	F	W	Housekeeper	Alton	Barth & Chapin	Elizabeth Clark	Phthisis
"	20 H. W. Woodman	53	Alton	M	F	W	Housekeeper	Alton	Walter Woodman	Mabel Flinders	Impaired Development
"	4 Sarah J. Plaford	52	Alton	F	F	W	Housekeeper	Alton	Samuel Ingalls	Sarah A. Clark	Phthisis
"	12 Leona May Nutt	48	Alton	F	F	W	Housekeeper	Milton	Barnstead	William Nutt	Mitral A. V. Consumption
"	28 Lillian Davidson	39	W Sonville	M	F	W	Housekeeper	Weymouth, N. B.	Lewis Davidson	Florence Wade	Marasmus
Jun "	10 Herman E. Marc	37	Il	M	F	W	Housekeeper	Boston Mass	Stephen Thudley	Perilla Haynes	Heart Failure
"	8 Sereeno Davidson	32	Il	M	F	W	Housekeeper	Alton	John Varney	John Varney	Apoplexy
Aug "	24 Clara M. Flinders	49	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Milton	J. B. Rags	Sally Sallors	Valvular Disease Heart
"	14 Clara Remick	77	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Seueticus
Sept "	8 Joe Wm. Burdick	83	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	19 David Shirley	78	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	2 George W. Crates	83	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	23 Edward Fitts	83	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	33 Abby Rollins	72	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	33 Alice E. Cleaveland	80	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
Nov "	22 Clara J. Fildes	84	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	3 Nancy J. Morran	80	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	20 Mary Ann Jones	78	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	3 Fretwell Watson	77	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	14 Eliza E. Burdick	72	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	23 John A. Stevens	72	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	2 David F. Gilman	71	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
Dec "	19 Irene Brown	41	Il	F	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy
"	10 Charles L. Fildes	81	Il	M	F	W	Housewife	Alton	Levi Wentworth	Mary Wilham	Apoplexy

RECY S. JONES, Town Clerk.

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1906.

Sex-Condition.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Mother*	
							Age of Father*	Age of Mother*
Male.								
Female.								
Living or Stillborn.								
No of Child.								
1st, 2d, etc.								
Color.								
W	George R. Prescott	Lillian M. Jones	Alton	Carpenter	Alton	Alton	44	33
7	Edward E. Prime	Grace N. Clark	"	Engineer	Moultonboro	Belmont	44	33
2	Alison E. Hines	Lotta Walker	"	Farmer	Alton	Alton	28	28
1	William Nute	Minnie A. very	Farmington	Shoemaker	Milton	Barnstead	28	28
5	Albert Whitehouse	Alice M. Jones	Alton	Watchman	Middleton	Alton	30	30
2	Albert Smith	Corra B. Richardson	"	Teamster	Alton	Wifeboro	34	27
5	Cyrus S. Harriman	Maud Kimball	"	Farmer	Eaton	Wifeboro	17	17
2	George D. Elliott	Grace R. Cox	"	Teamster	Rumney	Wifeboro	33	33
1	Ernest C. Smith	Ethel A. Welch	"	R.R. Employee	Gilmanton	Tuftonboro	23	23
2	Harold C. Ricker	Mary C. Flanders	"	Liveryman	New Durham	Alton	36	29
1	Luther F. Elliott	Maud A. Nute	"	Laborer	Rumney	"	20	24
62	W. Housekeeper	Eva M. Wise	"	"	"	Rumney	25	17
3	Berwick Me	New Durham	Rochester	Enoch Tibbetts	Abigail Jenkins	Cancer		
18	Bartlett	Alton	Farmington	John H. Stevens	John H. Stevens	Heart Disease		
3	Middleton	Housewife	"	Joel Young	Mary Durgin	Gastritis		
9	Alton	Housewife	Starksboro Vt.	Geo W. Rollins	Corra E. Clark	Gastritis		
3	Barnstead	Housewife	"	John Walker	Betsy Bunker	Gastritis		
8	Sweden	Housewife	"	Johannes	Maria	Old Age		
3	Alton	Housewife	Northwood	Isaac Berry	Hannah	"		
8	Barrington	Carpenter	Montville Me.	John Buzzell	Elizabeth Hill	Apoplexy		
13	Montville Me	Farmer	Montville Me.	Ephraim Stevens	Amy Knowlton	Heart Failure		
9	Alton	Laborer	Alton	Moses Gilman	Abigail Hurd	Old Age		
4	"	Hotel Keeper	Rochester	Rev. John Walker	Clara J. Young	Consumption		
10	"	"	Middleton	John H. Finfield	"	"		
31	"	"	"	"	"	"		

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

PERCY S. JONES, Town Clerk.

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Deaths Registered in the town of Alton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Color.			Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.
Jan 21	Thos Scott	35	Alton	M	F	W	S	Blackstoner	Alton	Fremman Smith	Mary Watson	Stomach of B. w. w.
Jan 22	G. W. Jones	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	Joseph Jones	Mary Watson	Constitution of Lung
Jan 23	Thos Hill	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Old Age
Jan 24	Sammy Varner	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 25	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 26	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 27	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 28	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 29	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 30	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis
Jan 31	Alvin R. R. R.	1	Alton	M	F	W	S	Farmer	Alton	W. W. Hill	Mary Watson	Paralysis

Births Registered in the town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any).	Sex.	Condition.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Place of Birth.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan 1	Thos Hill	M	1	Thos Hill	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	21	21
Jan 2	Alvin R. R. R.	M	2	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	22	22
Jan 3	Alvin R. R. R.	M	3	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	23	23
Jan 4	Alvin R. R. R.	M	4	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	24	24
Jan 5	Alvin R. R. R.	M	5	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	25	25
Jan 6	Alvin R. R. R.	M	6	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	26	26
Jan 7	Alvin R. R. R.	M	7	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	27	27
Jan 8	Alvin R. R. R.	M	8	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	28	28
Jan 9	Alvin R. R. R.	M	9	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	29	29
Jan 10	Alvin R. R. R.	M	10	Alvin R. R. R.	Mary Watson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	30	30

Marriages Registered in the town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Groom at time of Marriage.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Groom and Bride.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation of Parents.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan 1	Alton	Alvin F. Smith	Alton	21	Alton	Arthur W. Smith	Alton	Blackstoner	1 E. W. Cummings
Jan 2	Alton	Josephine Kimball	Wolfeboro	21	Wolfeboro	Charles R. Kimball	Wolfeboro	Blackstoner	2 Alton N. H.
Jan 3	Alton	Frank A. Longee	Alton	34	Alton	David S. Longee	Alton	Farmer	1 E. W. Cummings
Jan 4	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 5	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 6	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 7	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 8	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 9	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.
Jan 10	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	34	Alton	Alvin R. R. R.	Alton	Farmer	1 Alton N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WALDO C. VARNER, Town Clerk.

TOWN *of* ALTON REPORT



— 1908 —

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND
SCHOOL BOARD
OF THE
TOWN OF ALTON
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1908

THE FARMINGTON NEWS PRESS

FARMINGTON, N. H.

1908.

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN,

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE, LEWIS H. LAMPREY
FRANK M. AYER.

TOWN CLERK,

WALDO C. VARNEY.

TREASURER,

LABAN G. WELCH.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

WILLIE E. SANBORN.

AUDITORS,

CHARLES H. DOWNING, WILLIS P. EMERSON.

SUPERVISORS,

LABAN G. WELCH, SYLVESTER B. HUCKINS,
ELAM R. WRIGHT.

SCHOOL BOARD,

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS, ALTA H. McDUFFEE,
ALBERT J. JONES.

FIRE WARDS,

GEORGE W. PLACE, ALONZO B. LANG,
CHARLES H. DOWNING.

BOARD OF HEALTH,

CHARLES E. FIFIELD, CHARLES E. HUTCHINS,
FRANK M. AYER.

POLICE,

EDWARD W. FRANCIS.

CONSTABLE,

GEORGE W. PLACE.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres 35,605, value . .			\$524,995 00
Personal estate including polls			141,425 00
Total value			<hr/> \$666,420 00
Polls	No. 341	Average. \$100 00	\$34,100 00
Horses	403	65 06	26,219 00
Oxen	66	49 02	3,235 00
Cows	574	28 76	16,509 00
Neat stock	159	19 69	3,130 00
Sheep	162	3 74	606 00
Fowls	110	45	49 00
Hogs	10	6 70	67 00
Carriages	13	69 23	900 00
Stock in public funds			1,000 00
Stock in banks and other corporations			1,700 00
Stock in trade			22,960 00
Aqueducts			12,000 00
Mills and machinery			7,600 00
Money on deposit			500 00
Buildings not designated			750 00
Power boats			10,100 00
Total			<hr/> \$141,425 00

Total amount of taxes raised		\$15,660 87
State tax	\$1,355 00	
County tax	1,822 74	
School tax	4,382 50	
Highway tax	2,411 05	
Permanent improvement fund	655 00	
Fireman Tax	105 00	
Library tax	181 30	
Town tax	4,600 00	
Percentage	148 28	
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Total		\$15,660 87
Tax on poll \$2 35		

RECEIPTS.

Amount of taxes charged to collector		\$15,660 87
Cash in treasury Feb 15, 1907	\$2,145 11	
1906 taxes due from collector	896 28	
Samuel E Jones, int 1906 taxes	37 87	
Received of C H McDuffee, Joseph		
Dore heirs tax '00, '01	41 67	
C H McDuffee 1906 taxes	2 25	
L H Lamprey, Leon F Furber		
tax 1906	15 19	
L H Lamprey, license F S		
Storey	2 00	
Alonzo S French, note	500 00	
C H McDuffee, Oak-Birch		
park corp tax 1906	182 36	
L H Lamprey, license F A		
Robbins	4 00	
State board license com	145 27	
C H McDuffee, G W Bemis		
tax 1906	1 32	

Received of L H Lamprey, Peter Brackett	
tax 1906	1 34
L H Lamprey, Belknap Spring	
Land Co tax 1906	77 31
C H McDuffee, E E Lane tax '04	1 68
" railroad tax	1,084 17
" savings bank tax	1,140 49
" literary fund	117 12
" proportion of	
school fund	283 33
" Belknap County	177 87
" "	95 50
Waldo C Varney, dog license	335 17
F M Ayer, hall rent	101 00
C H McDuffee, taxes G W	
Berry homestead	160 00
Total	\$23,209 17

EXPENDITURES.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Charles E Tuttle, care hand engine	\$ 15 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Farmington News Co, printing reports . .	64 00
" " " check list	13 50
" " " ballots . .	4 50
" " " express on reports .	56
Edson C Eastman, order and collector books	4 25
Lewis P Varney, firemen 1906	27 20
Margaret A Wadleigh, int on note . . .	60 00
Fred E Nutter, painting signs	1 25
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights	
for fountains	10 00

Paid Margeret A Wadleigh, ind on note . . .	500 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Alonzo S French, library appropriation . .	181 30
M H Savage Post Memorial appropriation .	50 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind on note	25 00
Frank A Varney, school money	300 00
Albert J Jones, school supplies	138 22
Orin Lamper, services at fire 1906	1 20
John E Card, dog damage	4 25
Calvin S Glidden, "	5 00
Lewis E Avery, "	15 50
Charles E Hutchins, board of health supplies	50 00
Elbridge G Ellis, dog damage	17 75
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Geo W Place, coal for town hall	47 85
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline	27 21
George W Horne, dog damage	25 00
Clement B Rines, granite for bridge . . .	6 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
W M Stevens, wood, town hall	6 75
William Hayes, ind on note	74 16
Joseph Lealand, dog damage	3 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Frank M Ayer, janitor	50 00
" " care of clock	10 00
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights	
for fountains	10 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind on note	100 00
Stephen Shagnon, dog damage	5 00
The Downing Co, drain pipe	30 52
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, hydrants . .	500 00

Paid Pearle S Bassett, librarian	12 50
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Albert J Jones, school supplies	237 13
James Dobbins, repairing slate on hall . .	21 25
Alton Electric Light & Power Co, lights for fountains	10 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg Co, gasoline	27 12
E R Wright, return of births and deaths .	1 50
Geo W Leavitt, bridge plank	16 00
Frank A Varney, school money	500 00
Everett W Emerson, dog damage	1 00
Alonzo S French, note and int	508 75
P H Weeler, return of births and deaths .	3 50
Edwin K Jenkins, watering tub 1907 . . .	3 00
Edward W Cummings, return of marriages	1 25
Alonzo S French, int on Palmer fund library	17 50
W P Emerson, pung for Hose Co No 2 . .	2 00
“ “ supplies	25
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co, balance on hydrants	299 00
Herbert J Jones, insurance town hall . .	100 00
J Jones & Son, supplies	9 48
Frank M Ayer, janitor	25 00
“ “ care of clock	5 00
“ “ extra labor	11 55
Ira W Mitchell, care Nute lot 1907 . . .	2 00
“ “ painting tomb	2 85
J H Fifield, teams to fires	5 00
Edson C Eastman, invoice book	15 00
Meville Adams, clerk Hose Co. No. 1 . .	73 25
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work	15 65
E W Francis, dog officer	6 50
“ “ tramps	5 00
C E Hutchins, board of health supplies .	19 51
Forest H Rollins, watering tub '07 . . .	3 00

Paid Frank L Emerson, tramps	75
Herbert A Garland, winter work '07 . . .	4 95
Jones & Lamprey, supplies	1 05
Geo W Place, wood	12 50
“ “ tramps	43 50
“ “ transportation charges to house of correction	30 00
Joseph W Howard, watering tub '07 . .	3 00
Solon A Carter, state tax	1,355 00
Stephen B Cole, county tax	1,822 74
Willis P Emerson, clerk Hose Co. No 2 .	50 20
Willie E Sanborn, paid for council fee . .	2 00
Margaret A Wadleigh, ind on note . . .	548 33
Chas H McDuffee, recording inventory .	15 00
Chas H McDuffee, recording inventory precinct	5 00
Chas H McDuffee, care of order book . .	5 00
“ “ car fare, postage, and stationery	3 19
Frank M Ayer, renting town hall	3 00
“ “ expense town meeting	1 50
Frank A Varney, balance school money .	285 97
David H Morrison, watering tub '07 . .	3 00
C C Mooney, road work '06-7	1 20
Lewis H Lamprey, expense	1 24
Page D Gooch, guardian, note and interest	325 65
Stephen C Wentworth, bridge plank . .	16 56
Alonzo S French, ind on note	1,000 00
Esther A Varney, note in full	317 32
Total	<hr/> \$14,239 60

PAUPERS.

Paid P H Wheeler, aid to Henry Reil, county	\$ 7 50
W P Emerson, " " Mattie Hayes "	64 50
" " " " Mrs. Paquette "	1 37
P H Wheeler, " " Jack Normand "	4 50
W P Emerson " " Mattie Hayes "	13 50
Total	<hr/> \$ 91 37

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid the J H Downing Co, county	\$104 00
W P Emerson "	78 00
Total	<hr/> \$182 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Alonzo S French, moderator Mar '07	\$ 2 00
Lewis P Varney, selectman	1 00
Waldo C Varney "	3 00
Harry Morrison "	3 00
Chas H Downing, fire ward	5 00
Geo W Place " "	6 67
Alonzo B Lang " "	5 00
Frank M Ayer, ballot inspector Nov '06 and Mar '07	4 00
Frank M Ayer, board of health	5 00
Percy S Jones, town clerk	5 50
E W Francis, police	12 50
Laban G Welch, supervisor Mar '07	7 00
Chas E Hutchins, board of health	20 00
Geo W Place, constable	23 00

Paid Chas E Fifield, board of health	22 00
" " truant officer	3 75
" " probation officer 6 months ending Dec 31, '07	7 50
Laban G Welch, treasurer	50 00
Chas H McDuffee, selectman	86 00
" " overseer of the poor	15 00
Frank M Ayer, selectman	78 00
Arthur D Rollins, school board	20 00
Alta H McDuffee, school board	30 00
Albert J Jones " "	20 00
Frank A Varney, school district treasurer	15 00
Waldo C Varney, town clerk	64 60
Lewis H Lamprey, selectman	68 00
Willis P Emerson, auditor	3 00
Charles H Downing, "	3 00
 Total	 \$588 52

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1906 and 1907.

Paid H E Hayes	\$9 97
R A Frohock	8 60
William Hayes	5 32
George S Chamberlin	4 61
Samuel E P Gilman	6 75
P H Walker	16 97
William A Varney	1 87
A E Barnes	4 87
Stephen Barnes	6 97
Seth D Hurd	75
J L Rollins	4 00
R A Frohock	24 90
Albert D Varney	23 15
Charles E Hodgdon	12 15

Paid John C Page	6 60
John R Tufts	5 70
P H Walker	6 50
William A Varney	1 28
Frank W Grey	1 00
Charles Y Thyng	50
Hadley F Gilman	18 00
Harold C Ricker	4 00
George W Place	36 00
Ira W Mitchell	6 00
Charles H W Jones	28 08
Fred E Glidden	31 26
George W Lamper	31 73
Moses Ellis	1 50
Harry L Flanders	2 03
Willis E Glidden	22 50
Orrin and David Lamper	19 60
Smith A Willard	6 15
Albert D Morse	42 20
Andrew J Gilman	10 35
Forest H Rollins	11 25
William S Watson	3 75
Irad B Gilman	27 65
Moses W Flanders	3 64
Charles P Hayes	4 95
Melvin R Place	1 60
John L Weeks	8 10
Charles D Marston	1 42
John Stevens	75
Thomas J Alden	7 72
Cyrus Deane	3 75
Levi G Page	7 25
Calvin H Flanders	14 25
Harrison B Ricker	13 15
A H Barnett	9 25

Paid Morris L Flanders	15 00
Calvin S Glidden	37 05
Seldon H Glidden	11 45
John E Varney	8 95
Ai T Gilman	20 00
Lewis E Avery	30 09
Orrin D Glidden	4 25
George F Glidden	9 00
Fred S Gilman	18 70
Llewellyn T White	15 60
Charles H Moulton	14 10
Charles H Clough	7 95
Fred I Woodman	4 20
John P Leavitt	4 95
Albert Ellis	3 15
John Tardif	75
John C Young	8 03
Dana Bradley	4 50
John McPhee	6 75
James W Goodall heirs	2 56
Warren E Bradley	1 65
Andrew J Pinkham	1 64
R W Price	90
Ira C Chamberlin	27 85
Sylvester B Huckins	12 75
Charles W Evans	5 75
John F Hanson	6 50
Charles Rand	1 50
Velzora A Dealand	10 75
William H Berry	8 66
John K Jones	9 65
Charles H Tebbetts	6 75
J N and G W Morrison	13 95
D H and Harry Morrison	9 65
Seth H Kimball	7 50

Paid A C and William Shaw	6 45
Jacob F Evans	5 25
Lester A Young	7 85
James W Howard	14 95
Charles A Barr	53
Charles H Downing	50
Jacob N Peterson	16 00
Charles E Fifield	3 35
Seth E Rollins	10 80
Calvin Rollins	15 23
Haven C Rollins	1 43
Arthur D Rollins	7 05
Edmund S Batchelder	1 20
Charles W Rollins	45
Charles G Drew	15 95
Fred E Drew	90
Willie M Stevens	53
Martin L M Kimball	5 00
Frank W Howard	4 60
George W Colbath	1 20
Hervey Glidden	1 50
James B Woodman	9 00
Alonzo B Lang	9 50
Julian Emerson	9 23
George Dore	3 60
Charles F Rand	2 70
Charles E Nutter	4 50
George W Horne	92
Edwin O Prescott	5 00
Edwin K Jenkins	7 13
Edgar P Seward	8 40
Eugene F Goodwin	2 50
Lewis A Proctor	23 00
Sewell E Roberts	21 09
George F Roberts	4 15

Paid Stephen Shagnon	5 33
Edward S Walker	6 15
C C Rines heirs	51 60
Herbert E Morrell	4 05
Hervey G Hayes	2 55
Romeyn B Hurd	31 68
Hiram O Tuttle	8 40
Nathaniel Phillips	9 00
George W Rollins	24 10
Frank H Carpenter	6 00
Sumner Cotton	3 61
Clement B Rines	75
Alonzo Berry	2 40
Enos G Rollins	15 55
Leroy F Woodman	1 50
John N Avery	3 75
Albert H Hayes	4 00
Ira B Bennett	5 50
Joseph A Mooney	2 00
Edward Shagnon	2 40
Total	<hr/> \$1,304 49

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	\$ 2,145 11
Total receipts during the year	19,577 58

Total	<hr/> \$21,722 69
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year	19,411 33
Cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	2,311 36

Total	<hr/> 21,722 69
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DEBT.

Liabilities Feb 15, 1907	9,357 00	
Assets " "	3,056 31	
Debt of town Feb 15, 1907,		\$6,300 69
Liabilities Feb 15, 1908	\$7,133 15	
Assets " "	3,842 76	
Debt of town Feb 15, 1908		\$3,290 39
Decrease of debt		3,010 30

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	\$ 2,145 11	
Taxes received from collector	14,174 39	
Railroad tax	1,084 17	
Savings bank tax	1,140 49	
Literary fund	117 12	
Proportion of school fund	283 33	
Belknap county, for support of paupers	273 37	
Dog license	335 17	
Miscellaneous items	2,169 54	
Total		\$21,722 69

DISBURSEMENTS.

County paupers	\$ 91 37
Town officers	588 52
Highway, summer work	2,318 22
" winter "	1,304 49
Supplies for schools	375 35
Support of schools	5,085 97
Damage by dogs	76 50

State tax	1,355 00
County tax	1,822 74
Fireman tax	105 00
Memorial appropriation	50 00
Town notes and interest	2,959 15
Abatements 1906 taxes	28 81
“ 1907 “	92 87
Dependent soldiers and families	182 00
Miscellaneous	2,975 34
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Total	\$19,411 33
Excess of receipts over disbursements	2,311 36
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Total	\$21,722 69

ASSETS.

Cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	\$2,311 36
1907 tax uncollected in hands of collector Feb 15, 1908	1,486 48
Balance due from Belknap county	44 92
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Total	\$3,842 76

LIABILITIES.

Due sundry parties on notes	\$6,240 72
School, literary fund	117 12
“ balance dog money	252 17
Unexpended balance of permanent improvement fund	523 14
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Total	\$7,133 15
Indebtedness of town	\$3,290 39

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received for dog licenses	\$335 17
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PAYMENTS.

Damage by dogs	\$ 76 50	
Expenses collecting	6 50	
Balance due schools	252 17	
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Total		\$335 17

TRUST FUNDS.

Carry B Nute, cemetery fund	\$150 00	
Eveline L Palmer, library fund	500 00	
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Total		\$650 00

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year, which we respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Alton. The winter highway work exceeds last year's expenditure by \$708 49. A balance of \$523 14 on the permanent improvement fund for the highways remains unexpended. Work had been contemplated, but on account of the scarcity of labor during the fall months, plans were not executed. This amount is charged against the town as a liability to be used for its original purpose in 1908. The town debt has been reduced \$3,010 30.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE,	}	Selectmen
LEWIS H. LAMPREY,		of
FRANK M. AYER,		Alton

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,	}	Auditors.
CHARLES H. DOWNING,		

Alton, N. H., Feb 15, 1908.

Report of Treasurer.

1907			
Mar 22	Balance cash in treasury		\$2,145 11
Apr 3	Received of S E Jones, collector '06		300 00
June 3	" W C Varney, dog license		165 60
8	" S E Jones, collector 1906		39 89
25	" W E Sanborn, collector		325 00
July 1	" W C Varney, dog license		134 67
1	" L H Lamprey, selectman		15 19
5	" L H Lamprey, show license		2 00
6	" " selectman		500 00
26	" W E Sanborn, collector		150 00
30	" C H McDuffee, selectman		182 36
31	" State License Commission		10 27
	" " "		135 00
Aug 16	" W E Sanborn, collector		290 00
20	" " "		300 00
23	" L H Lamprey, selectman		5 34
29	" W E Sanborn, collector		400 00
Sept 10	" " "		500 00
21	" " "		200 00
28	" " "		100 00
Oct 8	" " "		325 00
14	" L H Lamprey, selectman		77 31
28	" W E Sanborn, collector		300 00
Nov 12	" " "		400 00
19	" " "		500 00
30	" " "		900 00

Nov 30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman railroad tax	1,084 17
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman savings bank tax . .	1,140 49
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman literary fund	117 12
30	"	C H McDuffee, selectman school fund . . .	283 33
Dec 5	"	W E Sanborn, collector	700 00
6	"	" " "	500 00
9	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	177 87
17	"	W E Sanborn, collector .	700 00
1908			
Jan 11	"	W E Sanborn, collector	800 00
17	"	" " "	1,600 00
Feb 3	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	46 92
5	"	" " "	95 50
10	"	W C Varney, dog license	34 90
11	"	F M Ayer, selectman .	101 00
12	"	W E Sanborn, collector .	360 00
14	"	" " "	1,108 81
15	"	C H McDuffee, selectman	160 00
Cash received			\$ 17 412 85

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1907			
Mar 22	Paid Charles E Tuttle	\$15 00	
29	Pearl S Bassett	12 50	
Apr 5	Frank A Varney	500 00	
5	Farmington News Co	82 56	
6	Edson C Eastman	4 25	
16	Lewis P Varney	27 20	
22	Margaret A Wadleigh	60 00	
27	Fred E Nutter	1 25	

May 4	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
4	Margaret A Wadleigh	500 00
14	Frank A Varney	500 00
23	Alonzo S French	181 30
30	M H Savage Post No 49	50 00
June 15	Frank A Varney	500 00
22	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
22	J H Downing Co	40 00
July 1	Mindwell Whitehouse	25 00
2	Frank A Varney	300 00
11	Albert J Jones	138 22
12	John E Card	4 25
13	Lewis E Avery	15 50
22	Orin Lamper	1 20
Aug 3	Calvin S Glidden	5 00
5	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	911 37
28	Charles E Hutchins	50 00
Sept 3	Elbridge G Ellis	17 75
10	Frank A Varney	500 00
10	Geo W Place	47 85
11	Gilbert Barker Mfg Co	27 21
21	Geo W Horne	25 00
25	Clement B Rines	6 00
Oct 4	Frank A Varney	500 00
12	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
15	W M Stevens	6 75
Nov 2	Frank A Varney	500 00
4	William Hayes	74 10
4	Frank M Ayer	60 00
20	Joseph Leland	3 00
27	Frank A Varney	500 00
29	Mindwell Whitehouse	100 00
29	Stephen Shagnon	5 00
29	P H Wheeler	7 50

Nov	29	J H Downing Co	46 00
	29	The Downing Co	30 52
	29	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
	30	Solon A Carter, state tax per receipt	1,355 00
Dec	6	Atton & Alton Bay Water Co	500 00
	7	W P Emerson	64 50
	7	" "	1 37
	7	" "	64 50
	12	Pearl S Bassett	12 50
	20	Frank A Varney	500 00
	31	S B Cole, county treasurer, per receipt	911 37
1908			
Jan	3	Albert J Jones	237 13
	12	James Dobbins	21 25
	12	Alton Electric Light & Power Co	10 00
	15	Gilbert Barker Mfg Co	27 12
	27	George W Leavitt	16 00
	31	E R Wright	1 50
	31	Frank A Varney	500 00
	31	J H Downing Co	18 00
Feb	1	Alonzo S French	508 75
	3	P H Wheeler	4 50
	3	" "	3 50
	3	Edward W Cummings	1 25
	3	Alonzo S French	17 50
	3	" "	2 00
	4	Everett W Emerson	1 00
	8	Edson C Eastman	15 00
	8	Lewis P Varney	1 00
	8	Ira W Mitchell	2 00
	8	" "	2 85
	8	Frank M Ayer	4 00
	8	" "	5
	8	" "	41

Feb 8	Waldo C Varney	3 00
8	Alonzo B Lang	5 00
8	Laban G Welch	7 00
8	Oscar Duncan	15 65
8	J H Fifield	5 00
10	Forrest H Rollins	3 00
10	C E Hutchins	20 00
10	" "	19 51
10	E W Francis	24 00
10	Frank L Emerson	75
10	Willis P Emerson	2 25
	" "	13 50
	" "	13 50
10	Edwin K Jenkins	3 00
10	Meville Adams	73 25
11	Joseph W Howard	3 00
11	Herbert A Garland	4 95
11	Jones & Lamprey	1 05
12	Charles H Downing	5 00
12	Charles E Fifield	33 25
12	Willis P Emerson	50 20
13	George W Place	6 67
	" "	23 00
	" "	12 50
	" "	43 50
	" "	30 00
14	Frank A Varney	15 00
	" "	285 97
14	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co . .	299 00
14	Herbert J Jones	100 00
14	J Jones & Son	9 48
14	Willie E Sanborn	2 00
14	Margaret A Wadleigh	548 33
14	Waldo C Varney	64 60
14	Albert J Jones	20 00

Feb 14	Lewis H Lamprey	69 24
14	Arthur D Rollins	20 00
14	F M Ayer	82 50
14	David H Morrison	3 00
14	Harry Morrison	3 00
14	Alta H McDuffee	30 00
14	W P Emerson	3 00
14	C H Downing	3 00
14	Laban G Welch	50 00
14	C C Mooney	1 20
14	Charles H McDuffee	129 19
14	Percy S Jones	5 50
15	Stephen C Wentworth	16 56
15	Alonzo S French	1,000 00
15	Esther A Varney	317 32
15	Page D Gooch, guardian	325 65
Total		\$15,101 49
Balance in treasury		2,311 36
		<hr/> \$17,412 85

LABAN G. WELCH, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast,

WILLIS P. EMERSON, }
CHARLES H. DOWNING, } Auditors.

ALTON, N. H., FEBRUARY 15, 1908.

School Report.

In conformity to the statute requirements the school board herewith submits the following as their twenty-second annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

WEST AITON.

Spring term of ten weeks taught by Edith Fox, fall term of twenty weeks taught by Louie M. Small.

MOUNTAIN.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Gertrude E Phipps, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Carolyn E May.

CLOUGH.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Mabel G. Rice.

McDUFFEE.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Elizabeth C. Davis, fall term of nineteen weeks taught by Eva M Harris.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Walter M. May, principal, and Gertrude R. Coppinger, assistant. Fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Nelson S. Mitchell, principal, and Fannie G. de Rochemont, assistant. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

GRAMMAR

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Gertrude E. McGrath, fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Grace E. Lord. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

INTERMEDIATE.

Spring term of eleven weeks, fall term of fifteen weeks, and winter term of ten weeks now in progress, taught by Margaret H. Manning.

PRIMARY.

Spring term of eleven weeks taught by Bertha M. Stevens, fall term of fifteen weeks taught by Elizabeth T. Whitehouse, substitute. A winter term of ten weeks now in progress taught by Bertha M. Stevens.

Receipts and Disbursements.

RECEIPTS

Balance in hands of district treasurer

Feb 15 1907 \$ 171 97

Raised by tax for support of schools . 3,232 50

“ “ “ of winter

term of high school 300 00

Raised by tax for support of winter

term of village school 350 00

Raised by tax for repairs 500 00

State (School Supervision) 283 33

Literary fund 127 49

Dog money 297 65

Tuition from Epsom 12 50

“ “ “ 5 50

“ “ “ 7 50

Due from town from last year 34 81

\$5,323 25

Less Gooch Abatement 5 00

Total 5,318 25

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid teachers' salaries	\$3,158 41	
for fuel and fitting same	228 73	
for repairs	355 44	
for superintendent	583 33	
for transportation	234 80	
tuition paid other towns	61 25	
janitor	174 93	
miscellaneous	154 74	
Cash in hands of district treasurer	366 62	
	<hr/>	\$5,318 25
Due from Mark Harris	10 50	
“ “ Mr. Munsey	15 00	
ARTHUR D. ROLLINS	}	School Board of Alton
ALTA H. McDUFFEE		
ALBERT J. JONES		

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON	}	Auditors.
CHARLES H. DOWNING		

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1908.

School District Treasurer's Report.

CASH RECEIVED.

1907.

Mar 18	Balance in treasury	\$171 97
Apr 5	Received of Laban G Welch, treasurer . .	500 00
May 10	“ “ “	500 00
June 15	“ “ “	500 00
July 2	“ “ “	300 00
Sept 10	“ “ “	500 00
Oct 4	“ “ “	500 00
Nov 2	“ “ “	500 00
“ 27	“ “ “	500 00
Dec 20	“ “ “	500 00
“ “	Received of town of Epsom, tuition . . .	18 00

1908.

Jan 2	Mrs C H McDuffee, sum due school dist from last year	34 81
Jan 28	Laban G Welch, treasurer	500 00
Feb 10	Town of Guilford, tuition	7 50
Feb 14	Laban G Welch, treasurer	285 97
Total		<hr/> \$5,318 25

Cash Paid Out.

1907

Mar	18	Paid B L Blaisdell	\$ 17 25
	25	Edith M Fox	63 00
Apr	1	Gilmanton school district	25 00
	3	Gertrude McGrath	40 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	40 00
	5	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
	6	Margaret Manning	60 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	10 00
	10	Walter M May	135 00
	13	Gertrude E McGrath	10 00
	24	Bertha M Stevens	30 00
	25	Eva M Harris	21 00
	27	Gertrude E McGrath	30 00
		Gertrude Coppinger	30 00
		B L Blaisdell	19 00
	29	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Maud Whitehouse	13 00
	30	Julian Emerson	8 00
May	9	S P Barnes	3 00
	11	Gertrude E Phipps	32 00
	13	Gertrude Coppinger	20 00
	16	Frank A Varney	120 00
	17	Gertrude K Coppinger	10 00
		Eva M Harris	28 00
	18	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
		Gertrude E McGrath	30 00
	22	Margaret Manning	30 00
	31	Walter M May	67 50
June	6	Gertrude K Coppinger	20 00
	11	Albert J Jones	7 75

June	13	Gertrude E Phipps	32 00
	14	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Carroll T Jones	21 00
	15	Gertrude E McGrath	40 00
		Gertrude K Coppinger	20 00
		Eva M Harris	28 00
	17	B L Blaisdell	29 00
		Bertha M Stevens	40 00
		Walter M May	101 25
	19	Frank A Varney	180 00
	25	Miss G E Phipps	17 50
	27	Elizabeth Davis	66 00
	28	Mabel Rice	88 00
July	2	Effie M Prescott	77 00
		Ai T Gilman and Arthur Cotton	60 00
	10	Alta H McDuffee	10 00
		"	14 14
		"	3 00
		Albert J Jones	2 50
		R J Sisk	10 82
	11	C H W Jones	18 00
Sept	9	Chas W Emerson	19 00
	10	H H Bennett	46 80
		Geo W Place	80 95
	14	Chas W Emerson	31 00
	20	Rachel Moore	19 18
	30	Mrs Leroy Woodman	6 00
Oct	1	Mabel G Rice	34 00
	2	B L Blaisdell	8 32
	4	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Carolyn E May	32 00
	5	Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
	9	B L Blaisdell	20 00
	10	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00

Oct	11	Eva M Harris	28 00
	15	C N Crowell	12 94
	22	Geo A Dore	2 70
	25	Mrs Leroy Woodman	8 00
Nov	1	The Downing Co	76 30
	2	Rochester Lumber Co	28 00
		L Woodman	13 50
		J R Jones	3 00
		Chas H Jones	4 00
		Margaret Manning	40 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
		Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		B L Blaisdell	20 00
		Harry L Moore	113 34
	4	Eva M Harris	28 00
	7	Fred E Nutter	6 65
	8	Mrs Leroy Woodman	6 00
	13	Elizabeth T Whitehouse	30 00
	16	Louie M Small	70 00
	18	Clarence E Rollins	7 50
	21	Chester A Twombly	21 50
	23	Rachel B Moore	8 68
	27	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	40 00
	30	B L Blaisdell	22 43
		Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
Dec	2	Carolyn E May	32 00
		Wolfeboro School District	36 25
	5	Elizabeth T Whitehouse	40 00
	7	Eva M Harris	28 00
	11	Mabel G Rice	25 50
	13	Harry L Moore	56 67
	14	Carolyn E May	56 00

Dec	14	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		Grace E Berry	30 50
	19	Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
	20	Margaret Manning	40 00
		Grace E Lord	30 00
		Fannie G de Rochemont	30 00
		Elizabeth T Whitehouse	30 00
	21	Eva M Harris	21 00
		B L Blaisdell	15 00
	27	C A Twombly	45 00
	29	Louie M Small	28 00
	30	S E Colbath & Co	12 95
	31	Ai T Gilman	75 00
1908			
Jan	3	Albert D Varney	16 50
		Mrs Leroy Woodman	4 00
		Mabel G Rice	34 00
	7	Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
	17	Miss Martha Atkinson	20 00
	20	Mrs Leroy Woodman	9 00
	21	Alta H McDuffee	30 00
		J L Hammet Co	11 88
		Fred Brown	1 50
		Jay Gilman	1 00
	22	Arthur D Rollins	5 01
		Grace B Dow	2 00
		Arthur D Rollins	14 50
	23	Harry L Moore	56 66
	25	Mrs Leroy Woodman	3 00
		B L Blaisdell	15 00
	27	Eva M Harris	28 00
	30	Carolyn E May	32 00
	31	Bertha M Stevens	40 00
Feb	1	Fannie G de Rochemont	20 00
		Grace E Lord	40 00

Feb	3	W P Emerson	11 77
	8	Louie M Small	42 00
	11	Chas H Davis	14 30
		Margaret Manning	40 00
	12	Fannie G de Rochemont	20 00
		Grace E Lord	20 00
		Carolyn C Varney	10 00
	13	Geo W Place	83 33
		Calvin Rollins	13 50
		Seth E Grant	9 20
		Rachel B Moore	7 70
		Nelson S Mitchell	65 00
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co	10 00
		J Jones & Son	50 14
		Mabel G Rice	59 50
		B L Blaisdell	17 25
	14	H L Moore	56 66
		A J Jones	21 50
Total			\$4,951 37
Balance in treasury			366 88
Total			\$5,318 25

FRANK A. VARNEY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON	}	Auditors.
CHARLES H. DOWNING		

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1908.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the school board and citizens of Alton:—

I have the honor to submit to you my first annual report as superintendent of your public schools. This report will be intentionally brief as my term of service has yet covered but half the school year.

In Part I, I call your attention briefly to some general matters of educational interest, in Part II to a statement of school conditions in Alton, together with figures and recommendations relating thereto.

PART I.

A NEW EDUCATIONAL IDEAL.

The ideal of education in the United States is changing. Heretofore, even from the early years of the public school system, the ideal has been for good citizenship; such a training as would lead to a love of country and a disposition to obey its laws, to a strength of moral character, and a power to think and to act intelligently. Such a citizenship was considered all-essential to the highest welfare of the state. And it was for the state that all education existed. Education for utility was never considered the function of the public school.

But this is changing. With the increased business activity of the past generation, has arisen a new demand upon the school. And with this demand a consequent change of view as to the proper ideal which education should assume. The

school should take to itself a new burden. It should add to its effort for good citizenship, in all that the term has formerly implied, that of training along specific vocational lines. In other words, the ideal should become in part utilitarian.

This movement is wide spread. It includes what is commonly termed industrial education, or education for the work shop and the factory; commercial education, or education for the office and the store; and most important and recent of all, agricultural education, or education for the farm.

In the cities and manufacturing centres of the country the industrial and commercial phases are making rapid strides. Smaller towns and rural communities are becoming interested in agricultural training. New Hampshire has already recognized the movement by the adoption of commercial and mechanic arts courses for her high schools, and courses in agriculture for all schools. None of these courses are yet required, but optional with each school district.

The demand for such training at public expense is real and deep set. But there is danger in overestimating its value. Good citizenship must still remain the paramount aim of the public school, at least under democratic institutions.

RESULTS FROM THE COMMON SCHOOL.

What results may the public reasonably expect at the end of the common school course? It is difficult, often impossible, to estimate educational values. I cannot attempt it here. Yet in general terms the following may be reasonably expected of the average child at the end of an eight or nine year's course:

The ability to read and write simple English, and to figure within his comprehension with a fair degree of accuracy.

A knowledge of a few simple facts of geography, history and science.

A knowledge of the right with a disposition to act the right.

And, as a result of the above, with the attendant mental training received, power to think, to develop and to grow.

This is the best the school can do. It cannot MAKE a good citizen. That is a process of years. It can merely set the child upon the right track and give him a start, but only a start. It cannot furnish the motive power.

Do the schools of the present day fairly effect these results? I believe they do, and with better success as the years go by.

Certain facts must be borne in mind, however, or our estimate becomes unjust. First, that the child is but a child. His is an immature mind, lacking in that comprehension and confidence bred only by years and experience. The law considers him an infant until 21, and with reason. It is hardly just to expect him to prove the equal of his seniors in knowledge or in accuracy even in the lines of his daily school work, nor should the school be held wholly at fault at his failure. It is all too true that the successful man, an expert in his own line, views with disdain in another, be he man, woman or child, anything less than his own proficiency. The child is a child, and the human mind develops slowly.

In the second place tangible results of school training always depend upon the individual pupil's capacity. The school must take the children as they come, the brilliant, the dull, the indifferent. It cannot make its own selection. Equal results cannot justly be expected of all.

Finally, the public often expects more than it is willing to give in return. Granted the existence of poor schools, they are always the result of poor teachers. And poor teachers are the result of poor salaries.

I believe in the public school of today. Many defects exist; they always have and they always will. But in spite of these defects it is universally conceded that the school is giving the child a better training, a better start, today than it has ever given before.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The requirements made upon the secondary schools of the state are high. The courses outlined as a basis for state approval are broad and thorough. It is the intention that a high school diploma shall be evidence of four years of hard, honest study.

This means a faithful effort every day of the term on the part of the students. The student should ever hope to obtain from his course in the shape of knowledge, mental training of power more than he is willing to put in, in the way of persistent and honest effort. His high school life is but four years of his larger life. Study is his business.

An option has been provided for between Latin and some other study each year of the course. This is intended for beginners who prefer the English to the Latin course, and for those who, at the end of any year, desire to change from one to the other. I believe that no pupil should ever be allowed to substitute one study for another during the school year merely on the grounds of dislike or inadaptability. The moral strength due to persistency in overcoming difficult places is often worth far more to the student than the value of the study involved.

For an outline of the approved high school course I refer you to the appendix.

REPAIRS.

Repairs during the year have been confined to the Clough, Mountain, and West Alton schools. The Clough and Mountain buildings have been thoroughly renovated. Hard wood floors have been laid, plastering repaired and walls repainted. They now are in good condition. Minor repairs have been made on the building at West Alton.

Much is still needed. It is but a question of time when the village building must be either extensively remodeled, or replaced by a larger and more modern building. The three rooms are now filled to their full seating capacity. The temporary room in the block is also filled. This room is hardly fit for school room purposes, to say nothing of its entirely inadequate sanitary and toilet facilities. The school enrolment is increasing. It is becoming a pressing matter, one the district must soon decide.

ATTENDANCE.

I would urge upon parents the importance of a more regular and punctual attendance. A day out is a day lost. It cannot be made up. Each time a child is tardy makes it easier for him to be tardy again. A habit is being formed detrimental to his school work and pernicious in all his later life.

Our per cent of attendance is low, our tardiness high. For a detailed statement I refer you to the final table of this report.

It is probably true that the illiterate man earns \$150 more than is necessary to supply his physical needs each year from the ages of 25 to 55; the man with a common school education averages \$300 in the same time; the high school graduate \$600; and the college trained man \$1200. This fact applied to the boy in school means that every day he spends in school is worth \$10 to him; every day he is out costs him \$10.

MONTHLY REPORT CARDS

The attention of parents is particularly called to the monthly cards brought home by the children. These cards give the pupil's standing in each of his respective studies, also his deportment, and instances of tardiness and half days absence during the preceding month. These cards the parent is requested to sign and return to the teacher. It is not

the intention, however, that they be merely signed and returned, but that they be carefully examined, and each item duly noted. They are the school's means of keeping the parents informed of what the children are doing.

I would urge parents to investigate at once any unsatisfactory report. Visit the school, consult the teacher and encourage the child. The school is doing its best with the facilities placed at its command, but fails of highest results without the intelligent cooperation of the home.

CONSOLIDATION AND TRANSPORTATION.

Three rural schools have been closed this year, those at the Gore, Loon Cove and the Bay. The pupils are now transported to the village at the expense of the district

Some, I believe, question the wisdom of this action from the standpoint of the pupils affected. They are receiving better schooling, longer terms, at less per capita expense. I need not enter into a discussion of this phase of the matter. It has been well presented in the report of my predecessor. I shall simply outline the legal aspect of the problem in general, and its application to the present situation in Alton in particular.

The school law reads as follows: "The school board of every district shall provide schools at such places within the district and at such times in each year as will best subserve the interests of education, and will give to all scholars of the district as nearly equal advantages as may be practicable.

They may use a portion of the school money, not exceeding twenty-five per cent, for the purpose of conveying scholars to and from the schools. Chapter 92, Section 1.

"Every person having the custody and control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen . . . residing in a school district in which a public school is annually taught shall cause such child to attend the public school all the time such school is in session." Chapter 93, Section 14.

The vital question then for the school board to decide in determining whether or not a school shall be closed is: Will it best subserve the interests of education in the whole district to close the school? Is the number of pupils so small that the cost per capita in maintaining the school is all out of proportion to the cost per capita in another school in another part of the district? If in school No. 1 the cost is \$23 per pupil for a thirty weeks term, and in school No. 2, \$13 per pupil for a thirty-six weeks term, is there being an approximately equal distribution of public funds? Is it giving to all schools of the district as nearly equal educational advantages as are practicable? These questions the board must decide.

It is not a question for them at all as to whether it will be best for any particular section of the district, nor whether or not it will best serve the convenience of Mr. A or Mr. B. It is a matter of broad educational policy.

If, in the judgment of the board, the best educational interests of the district will be promoted, and a more equal distribution of educational advantages be provided by closing the school, it is their duty to close it. The board also must decide as to whether the children affected shall walk to the next nearest school, or be transported.

In brief, the school board are not required by law to maintain a school if they believe it should be closed, nor are they required to convey children for all distances over and above a given distance.

The parent, on the other hand, is bound under the law to abide by the judgment of the board, and to send his children regularly to the schools provided. But he is not bound to require his children to walk an unreasonable distance nor to attend under circumstances which he believes detrimental to their welfare.

The matter of unreasonable distance for children to walk should be settled by parents and board together upon the merits of each individual case. The law fails to specify, recognizing that what may be unreasonable in one case may often be entirely reasonable in another. Actual distance, age and sex of children, condition of roads, etc., are all involved. In case no agreement can be reached, the matter becomes a case for the jury.

But where transportation is conceded necessary the board cannot compel a parent to convey his own children, even for pay, if the parent refuses to do so. Here again parent and board must work together.

To sum up, quoting from the state superintendent of public instruction: "The parent can compel neither the school board nor the district to furnish either a school or a conveyance. The school board cannot compel the parent to require his child to walk an unreasonable distance, nor yet can it compel him to convey the child to the nearest school."

The situation in Alton is apparently this: Children from sections of the district where schools have been closed are being transported to the village at public expense. Parents in other parts of the district have become dissatisfied on the ground that their children have been and are now obliged to walk a greater distance than the above are being carried. In other words, the district is transporting children one mile, for instance, while other children a mile and a half or two miles from school must walk or be carried by parents.

In so far as this is true an inconsistency certainly exists. There is no denying the fact. It is one of the immediate consequences often attending the closing of a school where insufficient funds are available for extended transportation.

The remedy is this: First for the district to raise an appropriation at its annual meeting large enough in its judgment to cover such expenses of transportation as it deems reason-

able. This is all the district can do. Here a wide field for difference of opinion arises. What is a reasonable amount? The law only specifies a sum not over twenty-five per cent of school money.

Second, for the board and parents directly interested to meet and come to a proper agreement either by deciding to take each case separately on its own merits, or, failing in this, by unitedly agreeing upon some reasonable distance over and above which the board shall convey the children or pay the parent a daily wage for so doing.

But whatever action be taken, two things should be rigidly guarded against: the introduction of any taint of personal feeling, and the idea that parents should be paid or in any way compensated for sending their children to school. The first results in a gross injustice to the children and the entire educational welfare of the district, the second in a low misconception of a public duty and a public privilege, the end of which is simple graft.

IN GENERAL.

I would commend to you the report of my predecessor in his recommendations for the schools of Alton, the following in particular:

That beginners be allowed to enter only in the fall term, and then not under a certain age.

That whenever possible all teachers be hired by the year.

That definite days be assigned for the payment of teachers, preferably the Saturday of every fourth week, also the final week of the term.

I would add further that each teacher be allowed at least one day during the year for visiting other schools, and suggest for this purpose the schools of Laconia, Rochester, and Dover, also the model school at Plymouth.

The schools all are working in harmony and well. I would commend the teachers for their faithful effort.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to school board, teachers and pupils for their cordial support.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. Moore, Superintendent.

Alton, N. H., February 14, 1908.

Roll of Honor.

FALL TERM 1907.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Dorothy Collins	Marjory Twombly
Gertrude Colbath	Edith Webber
Gladys Dodge	Edith Welch
Mildred Davis	Raymond Duncan
Edna Gilman	Edward Downing.

Stephen Gilman

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Albert Adams	Pearl Hanson
Wallace Adams	John Hanson

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Ella Adams	Doris Stiles
	Gladys Smith

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Joseph Chandler	Doris McDuffee
Rexford Normand	Hazel Ricker
Eddie Smith	Mina Smith
Helen Gilman	Edna Whitehouse

Helen Whitehouse

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

LATIN COURSE		ENGLISH COURSE	
FIRST YEAR			
Latin	5	Arithmetic	5
Algebra	5	Algebra	5
English	5	English	5
History	5	History	5
SECOND YEAR			
Latin	5	Biology	5
French	5	French	5
Geometry	5	Geometry	5
English	5	English	5
THIRD YEAR			
Latin	5	Mathematics	5
French	5	French	5
English	5	English	5
Physics	5	Physics	5
FOURTH YEAR			
Latin	4	Chemistry	4
French	4	French	4
English	4	English	4
U S History	4	U S History	4
Mathematics	4	Mathematics	4

NOTE

The figures denote the number of recitation periods per week in each of the respective studies. They also represent the number of credits a student receives at the end of the year on satisfactorily completing the subject. Eighty credits are required for a diploma.

REPORT of FALL TERM, 1907

School	Teacher	Total No. Pupils		Ave. Daily Atten	Ave. Daily Absent	Percent of Atten	Cases of Tardy	Visits of Parent
		Boys	Girls					
Village Prim.	Mrs. Whitehouse	16	18	26.84	2.18	92.48	45	16
Village Int.	Miss Manning	11	17	24.50	1.59	93.90	41	15
Village Gram.	Miss Lord	16	14	24.61	2.47	90.87	49	9
High School	N. S. Mitchell Miss DeRochemont	16	22	34.93	3.07	91.92	6	22
Clough	Miss Rice	7	6	6.14	3.82	61.64	22	11
McDuffee	Miss Harris	5	3	6.47	.76	89.48	13	25
Mountain	Miss May	10	9	15.71	2.67	85.47	1.06	12
West Alton	Miss Small	7	5	7.03	2.36	74.85	45	38
		88	94	146.23	18.92	88.54	3.27	1.48

Library Report

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To cash on hand Feb 15, 1907	\$ 20 03
May 24 to cash received from town treasurer	181 30
Feb 3 ' Eveline L Palmer fund	17 50
Total	<hr/> \$218 83

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By cash paid News agency	\$ 20 60
Express on books	1 80
Charles Lanna, books	117 25
Annie M Wright, making catalog	5 00
Farmington News, Printing	9 50
G C Neal, binding books	19 25
H H Bennett, making bookcase	12 00
A C Cotton, book for library	2 90
F E Nutter, painting bookcase	2 75
Outlook for library	1 50
J Jones & Son, curtain bookcase	94
Freight on books	25
Curtain rod for bookcase	18
Postage	33
By cash on hand Feb 15, 1908	24 58
Total	<hr/> \$218 83
Number of books in library	8,087
“ loaned for year	5,375

Respectfully submitted

ALONZO S FRENCH,	}	Library
OLIVER J M GILMAN,		
ANNA M WRIGHT,		Trustees

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., for the YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years, each of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan 1	Alton	John W. Morrison	Alton	28	Foreman	Alton	David H. Morrison	Alton	Farmer	1	McFetelle & Shaver
		Grace E. Brown	"	20	Housekeeper	Epston	Nancy J. Walker	Roanoke	Housewife	2	Alton
1	"	James A. Miller	"	30	Farmer	New Durham	Silva B. Page	Epston	Farmer		
		Helen A. Flinders	Milton	41	Yamper	"	Emma Gilles	Town	Housekeeper	1	E W Cummings
30	Brattleboro Vt	Willie F. Emerson	Alton	41	Merchant	Alton	John J. Gilchrist	Gilford	Housewife		
		May B. Pigotti	Brattleboro Vt	22		Brattleboro Vt	John Flinders	Concord Me	Housewife	1	Esth'd O S Osgood
Feb 17	Alton	Harold C. Gook	Alton	20	Mill carrier	Alton	Charles M. Flinders	Middleton	Housewife	2	Brattleboro Vt
		Alice M. Britt	"	21	Housekeeper	Holley Mass	Chas M. Emerson	Alton	Merchant	1	McFetelle & Shaver
May 20	"	Perley P. Prescott	"	67	Carpenter	Alton	Elmer J. Jones	Alton	Housewife	1	Alton
		Joanne M. Ames	"	33	Housekeeper	Fall River Mass	Joseph Prescott	Epston	Farmer	2	E W Cummings
June 1	Gilmanston	Frank L. Emerson	"	23	Clerk	Alton	Harriet Place	Alton	Housewife	2	Alton
		S. Frances Price	Gilmanston	21		Gilmanston	Thomas Gilson	Fall River Mass	Housekeeper	1	John H. Wilkins
7	Alton	G. Elmer Davis	Alton	10	"	Gilford	Isadore Hill	Fall River Mass	Housewife	1	Farmington
		Cora P. Jones	"	21	"	Alton	Anna Perkins	Gilford	Farmer	1	E W Cummings
July 4	"	William K. Smith	"	40	Stock cutter	Eastport Me	Anna Emerson	Barnstead	Farmer	1	Alton
		Elsie M. Smith	Waltham	21	Housekeeper	Waltham	Geo O. Davis	Gilford	Farmer	1	E W Cummings
6	"	Forrest L. Nutter	Alton	38	Shoemaker	Alton	John P. Fredrick	Alton	Housewife	1	Alton
		Gertrude E. Gerrish	"	37	Housekeeper	"	Anna Jones	Alton	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
Sept 10	"	Herbert K. Morrill	"	23	Clerk	"	Emma Gilchrist	Alton	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
		Ethel A. Wells	"	23	Bookkeeper	Boston Mass	George Smith	Alton	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
Oct 6	"	Herbert F. Webster	"	20	Rt. K. Employed	Tilton	Elizabeth Reynolds	Alton	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
		Grace Eva Mead	Waterbury Vt	20	Stenographer	Dover	Warren Kenney	Montpelier	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
Nov 14	"	Wendell Wesley Beaulieu	Wellesley Mass	34	Nurse	Bangor Me	James W. Noell	Gilford	Housewife	1	E W Cummings
		Bertha Lydia Royburn	Alton	35	"	Alton	John A. Kitter	Alton	Housewife	1	E W Cummings

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., for the YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date of Birth.	Name of the Child, (if no name)	Sex.	Condition.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan 10	Verney M	L	W	Leola P. Verney	Rhonda L. Doherty	W. Alton	Merchant	Alton	Alton	38	35
19	Pauline B	F	L	Alfred Whitehouse	Alfred N. Jones	"	Farmer	Middleton	Alton	36	30
Feb 24	Harvey M	M	L	Perville H. House	Alice Baker	"	Painter	Salem	Waltham	32	29
21	Drew M	F	L	Willard M. Ewen	Mary A. Drew	"	Farmer	Carroll	Concord	40	34
22	Ge M	F	L	Alfred M. Lee	Mary E. Lee	"	Teacher	Concord	Concord	42	32
Mar 13	Rhonda M	F	L	Harry A. Elliott	Leola Elliott	"	"	Ramsey	Ramsey	42	30
19	Harvey R. Hildon	M	L	Philip L. Drew	Eden A. Drew	"	Carpenter	Dutton Mr	Southampton N H	35	28
25	Louise M	F	L	Frank A. Lorange	Minnie D. Miller	"	Librarian	Alton	Rochester	32	25
Apr 10	Doris Pauline	F	L	John P. Hurl	Grace H. Hayes	"	Laborer	Alton	Ramsey	31	28
May 10	Elliot M	M	L	Laurel P. Elliott	Eva M. Jones	"	Farmer	Alton	Middleton	33	23
June 10	Verney M	F	L	Alfred D. Verney	Luella E. Beckett	"	"	Boston Mass	Lowell Mass	30	28
22	Any M	F	L	Charles L. Andrew	Sybil H. W. Walker	"	"	Boston Mass	Boston Mass	34	32
July 21	Capitani M	F	L	Elmer Constant	Mary Ann Mitchell	"	Wood Tinker	Canada	Canada	32	27
27	John N	M	L	N. J. Peterson	Muriel C. Mitchell	"	Farmer	Sweden	Sweden	28	27
31	Beatrice D	F	L	George W. Horne	Alice M. McCreary	"	Farmer	Alton	Alton	30	28
Aug 10	Joseph Alice	F	L	Alfred E. Barnes	Flora A. Barnaby	"	Carpenter	Somerville Mass	P E Alton	31	28
23	Ernest C	M	L	Edith M. Bennett	Luella E. Phil	"	Farmer	Alton	New Durham	30	28
24	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
Sept 14	Louise M	F	L	George W. Langer	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
24	Verney M	F	L	William L. Nutter	Edith E. Gertrude	"	Shoemaker	Alton	Alton	30	28
Oct 20	Beatrice M	F	L	Edith M. Bennett	Luella E. Phil	"	Farmer	Alton	Alton	30	28
21	Beatrice M	F	L	Edith M. Bennett	Luella E. Phil	"	Farmer	Alton	Alton	30	28
22	Verney M	F	L	Alfred D. Verney	Luella E. Beckett	"	"	Boston Mass	Lowell Mass	30	28
23	Any M	F	L	Charles L. Andrew	Sybil H. W. Walker	"	"	Boston Mass	Boston Mass	34	32
24	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
25	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
26	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
27	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
28	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
29	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
30	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28
31	Ernest C	M	L	Frank A. Lorange	Myrtle M. Hayes	"	"	"	"	30	28

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., for the YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.	Sex.	Place of Birth.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.	Father.	Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Decause of Death.	Name of Physician (or other person) reporting Death.
Jan 31	William Doherty	70	M	Quebec Can	Farmer	Canada	Canada	William Doherty	Dollie Shank	Bright Pneumonia		
Feb 1	Henry F. Good	70	M	Holliston Mass	Farmer	Alton	Alton	William Hayes	Polly Westworth	Indigestion		
15	Nancy E. Verney	62	F	Holliston Mass	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Alfred D. Verney	Anna N. Davis	La Grippe		
22	Leola M. Lee	52	F	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Leola M. Lee	Harvey Lee	Pneumonia		
23	Charles W. Willey	52	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Charles W. Willey	Harvey Lee	Pneumonia		
Mar 1	Samuel Drew	53	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Samuel Drew	Harvey Lee	Pneumonia		
10	Louise M	22	F	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Louise M	Harvey Lee	Pneumonia		
19	Harvey R. Hildon	35	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Harvey R. Hildon	Edith E. Gertrude	Pneumonia		
20	John H. Westworth	44	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	John H. Westworth	Edith E. Gertrude	Pneumonia		
21	Edith M. Bennett	31	F	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Edith M. Bennett	Luella E. Phil	Pneumonia		
22	Verney M	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Verney M	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
23	Any M	34	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Any M	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
24	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
25	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
26	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
27	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
28	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
29	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
30	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		
31	Ernest C	30	M	Alton	Housewife	Alton	Alton	Ernest C	Luella E. Beckett	Pneumonia		



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TOWN REPORT

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND
SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1909

THE FARMINGTON NEWS PRESS
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1909

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN.

FRANK M. AYER, WILLIAM H. BERRY,
OSCAR DUNCAN.

TOWN CLERK.

PERCY S. JONES.

TREASURER.

HERBERT J. JONES.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

CHARLES H. DOWNING.

AUDITORS.

WILLIS P. EMERSON.

SUPERVISORS.

ELAM R. WRIGHT, JOHN W. PROCTOR.
FRED L. HILL.

SCHOOL BOARD.

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS. ALBERT J. JONES.
ALTA H. McDUFFEE.

FIRE WARDS.

GEORGE W. PLACE, ALONZO B. LANG.
CHARLES H. DOWNING.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

CHARLES E. FIFIELD, CHARLES E. HUTCHINS.
FRANK M. AYER.

POLICE.

EDWARD W. FRANCIS.

CONSTABLE,

GEORGE W. PLACE.

Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres, 35,605, value,			\$548,522.22
Personal estate, including polls,			193,194.00
Total value,			<hr/> \$741,716.00
Polls,	352	\$100.00	\$35,200.00
Horses,	388	76.77	29,790.00
Oxen,	53	56.60	3,000.00
Cows,	597	27.54	16,645.00
Neat stock,	124	16.65	2,064.00
Sheep,	153	3.14	481.00
Fowls,	165	46	77.00
Hogs,	19	7.21	137.00
Carriages,	14	100.00	1,400.00
Stock in public funds,			1,000.00
Stock in banks and other corporations,			1,700.00
Stock in trade,			68,750.00
Aqueducts,			12,000.00
Mills and machinery,			7,750.00
Money on deposit,			500.00
Buildings not designated,			700.00
Power boats,			12,000.00
Total,			<hr/> \$193,194.00

Total amount of taxes raised,		\$13,350.89
State tax,	\$1,325.00	
County tax,	1,800.35	
School tax,	3,887.50	
Highway tax,	2,288.29	
Permanent improvement fund,	666.00	
Fireman tax,	105.00	
Library tax,	159.50	
Town tax,	2,600.00	
Percentage,	519.25	
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Total,		\$13,350.00
Tax on poll, \$1.80.		

RECEIPTS.

Amount of taxes charged to collector,		\$13,350.89
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,	\$2,311.36	
1907 taxes due from collector,	1,486.48	
Willie E. Sanborn, int. on 1907 taxes,	16.18	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Everett Good- ing heirs tax,	26.66	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Newman Crowell '06 tax,	4.90	
Received of F. M. Ayer, C. Stella Bartlett, '07 tax,	8.33	
Received of F. M. Ayer, E. H. Bishop, '07 tax,	5.23	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mrs. David Blair, '07 tax,	2.04	
Received of F. M. Ayer, F. Flanders, '02 tax,	1.85	
Received of F. M. Ayer, Clara Brown, '05 tax,	4.06	

Received of F. M. Ayer, Ida Fortin, '07 tax,	26.30
Received of F. M. Ayer, J. G. W. Jones estate, '97, '01, '03, '04, '08 tax,	122.59
Received of F. M. Ayer, W. H. Clarke '04 tax,	4.50
Received of F. M. Ayer, Frank J. Stev- ens '07 tax,	3.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, James Y. Collins '07 tax,	1.79
Received of F. M. Ayer, Reuben Lamp- rey '07 tax,	12.93
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mrs. Hen- derson '07 tax,	1.54
Received of F. M. Ayer, Dudley Nelson '07 tax,	15.62
Received of F. M. Ayer, Harris A. Emerson '07 tax,	5.34
Received of F. M. Ayer, Andrew J. Gilman, '99 tax,	21.53
Received of F. M. Ayer, Freeman L. Johnson '07 tax,	1.25
Received of F. M. Ayer, Royal Cook '06 tax,	1.62
Received of F. M. Ayer, E. F. Good- win '00 tax,	3.06
Received of F. M. Ayer, Charles P. Hayes '01 tax,	4.35
Received of F. M. Ayer, Charles P. Hayes '02 tax,	22.50
Received of F. M. Ayer, John L. Brown, '97 tax,	4.29

Received of F. M. Ayer, Royal Cook '07 tax,	1 40
Received of F. M. Ayer,, Freeman Thompson '07 tax,	1.80
Received of F. M. Ayer, Belknap county,	218.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, railroad tax,	1,110.54
Received of F. M. Ayer, savings bank tax,	1,138.42
Received of F. M. Ayer, literary fund,	125.37
Received of F. M. Ayer, proportion of school fund,	300.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. J. Roney '04 tax,	1.77
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. J. Roney '07 tax,	1.29
Received of F. M. Ayer. William P. Hale '07 tax,	23 24
Received of F. M. Ayer, Edward Appleton '05 tax,	1.89
Received of F. M. Ayer, Smith Dudley '04, '05, '07 tax,	7.61
Received of F. M. Ayer, Harry L. Flanders '07 tax,	3.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, Nathaniel Cook '07 tax,	3.32
Received of F. M. Ayer, George E. Locke '07 tax,	2.84
Received of F. M. Ayer, Mary E. Locke '07 tax,	16.35
Received of F. M. Ayer, John Davis '06 tax,	1.77
Received of F. M. Ayer, J. N. Shattuck '02 tax,	1.94

Received of F. M. Ayer, W. G. J. Perry '06-'07 tax,	3.89
Received of F. M. Ayer, G. F. Davis, on account '05 tax,	3.97
Received of F. M. Ayer, S. O. Wallingford tax,	10.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '99 tax,	44.06
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '01 tax,	64.32
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '02 tax,	63.04
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '03 tax,	37.72
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '04 tax,	59.36
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '05 tax,	32.21
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '06 tax,	44.66
Received of F. M. Ayer, Gustena Davis '07 tax,	23.85
Received of F. M. Ayer, Nellie M. Twombly heirs '07 tax,	26.95
Received of F. M. Ayer, Leroy F. Woodman '06-'07 tax,	21.10
Received of F. M. Ayer, Calvin S. Glidden '99 tax,	55.10
Received of F. M. Ayer, James M. Jones '02 tax,	7.72
Received of F. M. Ayer, Clark Perkins heirs '99, '00, 01, '02, '05, '06, '07 tax,	38.01

Received of F. M. Ayer, state board License Com. bal. '07,	4.14
Received of F. M. Ayer, state board License Com.,	168.21
Received of Percy S. Jones, town clerk, dog license,	315.60
Received of F. M. Ayer, Sarah J. I. Evans fund,	100.00
Received of F. M. Ayer, Ruth Mitchell '00-'01 taxes,	53.17
Received of F. M. Ayer, hall rent,	77.00
Received of Steve Demetris, pedler's license,	8.00
Received of C. H. Downing, back taxes,	49.44
Received of Belknap county,	56.94
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Total,	\$21,803.21

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Charles E. Tuttle, care hand engine,	\$10.00
Farmington News Co., printing reports,	43.60
Farmington News Co., printing ballots,	4.50
Farmington News Co., printing moth notices,	2.50
Abbie M. Dore, watering tub, 1907,	3.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Pearl S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Edson C. Eastman, order, collector, and clerk books,	8.47
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind. on note,	75.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Alton E. L. & P. Co., lights for fountain,	10.00

M. H. Savage Post, Memorial appropriation,	50.00
Alonzo S. French, library appropriation,	159.50
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline,	26.43
Evans Furniture Co., curtains town hall,	24.85
Good Roads Mach. Co., repairs road machine,	17.50
Orrin Lamper, dog damage,	7.00
Pearl S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Nelson Brackett, repairs at lobby,	5.00
Albert J. Jones, school supplies,	151.38
North East Metal Culvert Co., metal culverts,	183.33
Frank M. Ayer, extra firemen, Mt. Major fire,	47.92
Pearle S. Bassett, librarian,	12.50
Board of health, supplies,	25.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Margaret A. Wadleigh, ind. on note,	100.00
Orrin A. Lamper, dog damage,	30.00
Irad B. Gilman, repairing bridge,	19.35
Walter Tuttle, road work,	12.00
John Whitehouse, road work,	4.35
Clarence A. Horne, road work,	10.73
Albert Foster, road work,	3.22
Oscar Duncan, road work,	23.65
Herman P. Horne, road work,	75.00
Charles W. Whitehouse, labor Cotton bridge,	45.00
Colby & Hill, bridge plank,	17.28
Alton E. L. & P. Co., lights on fountain,	10.00
Frank M. Ayer, janitor,	50.00
Frank M. Ayer, care of clock,	10.00
Cyrus Furber, sawing wood,	2.00
David E. Clough, labor and lumber,	5.25
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Frank S. Nutter, sheep damage,	20.00

Andrew J. Ward, watering tub, '05, '06, '07,	9.00
George F. Glidden, bridge plank,	40.80
Charles E. Fifield, board of health expense,	37.00
Charles H. Tibbetts, sheep damage,	12.00
Fred H. Crocker, repairs on town hall,	5.94
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work,	23.90
John Farquhars Sons, slate,	4.54
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasolene and man- tles,	32.55
Portsmouth Coal Pockets, coal,	65.84
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Mindwell Whitehouse, ind. on note,	75.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Paul E. Buckley, repairs town hall,	1.60
The Downing Co., drain pipe,	60.45
George W. Place, bridge plank,	135.38
George W. Place, coal,	4.18
George H. Fifield, teams fire dept.,	38.50
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Mrs. H. S. Gilman, librarian,	12.50
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., hydrants,	500.00
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Albert J. Jones, school supplies,	185.55
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Clarence A. Spinney, care C. F. Rand,	5.00
Elam R. Wright, return of births and deaths,	3.50
George W. Place, expense at fire,	7.00
James Dobbins, snow guards on hall,	23.52
Alton E. L. P. Co., lights at fountains,	10.00
Gilman Snow Guard Co., snow guards and express,	12.20

Lothrop & Pinkham, wax for hall,	2 70
J. H. Downing Co., supplies,	9.25
Charles E. Hutchins, board of health supplies,	5 96
J. B. Hunter, door check,	6.50
Frank A. Varney, school money,	500.00
Albert D. Merritt, wood,	8.00
Willie E. Sanborn, drawing coal,	2.20
Stella M. Francis, recording inventory,	15.00
Stella M. Francis, recording precinct inventory,	5.00
E. W. Francis, dog officer,	12.75
E. W. Francis, care of tramps,	10.25
Jewell, Owen and Veasey, counsel,	13.00
Alonzo S. French, int. on Palmer fund,	17.50
Jacob Chamberlin, lumber,	3.60
Abbie M. Dore, watering tub, '08,	3.00
H. H. Bennett, labor and material,	5.90
Jones & Lamprey, supplies,	4.23
George W. Place, tramps,	48.50
George W. Place, food for tramps,	1.50
George W. Place, supplies,	12.00
L. G. Welch, supplies,	.60
Ira P. Mitchell, care L. S. Nute lot,	3.00
Willis P. Emerson, supplies,	2.18
Willis P. Emerson, clerk Hose No. 2,	120.70
Melville Adams, clerk Hose No. 1,	292.55
E. W. Cummings, return of marriages,	1.50
E. E. Colbath & Co., oil,	.75
Forest H. Rollins, watering tub, '08,	3.00
Frank A. Varney, balance school money,	156.79
Arthur D. Rollins, flag pole and fixtures,	5.50
David H. Morrison, watering tub, '08,	3.00
Alonzo S. French, note and interest,	762.11
H. J. Jones, insurance town hall,	100.00

Alton and Alton Bay Water Co., bal. on hydrants,	280.00
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., water town hall,	19.00
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., supplies at fountain,	2.00
Police court, '07-'08,	24.00
Albert J. Jones, express on school supplies,	1.30
F. M. Ayer, dinners March and November, '08,	3.60
F. M. Ayer, stamps and envelopes, moth notices, '08,	3.75
F. M. Ayer, stamps and envelopes, moth notices, '09,	6.05
F. M. Ayer, one day helping slater,	2.00
F. M. Ayer, car fare, tel., ex., and stationery,	9.96
F. M. Ayer, care order book,	5.00
F. M. Ayer, renting town hall,	3.00
Oscar Duncan, car fare,	.90
J. Jones & Son, supplies,	31.13
Edwin K. Jenkins, watering tub, '08,	3.00
Charles H. Downing, adjusting back taxes,	15.00
William H. Berry, use of team, '08-'09,	15.00
F. M. Ayer, janitor,	27.00
F. M. Ayer, care of clock,	5.00
Solon A. Carter, state tax,	1,325.00
Stephen B. Cole, county tax,	1,800.35
Margaret A. Wadleigh, interest on note,	29.08
Cordelia M. Woodman, note and interest,	435.49
James W. Durgin, note and interest,	326.62
Sarah J. Clarke, note and interest,	108.87
John Q. Adams, note and interest,	108.87
Total,	<hr/> \$13,390.75

PAUPERS.

Paid P. H. Wheeler, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town,	\$4.50
Charles W. Emerson, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town,	1.50
Stephen H. Flanders, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town,	1.50
Frank M. Ayer, aid to Alvin Hoyt, town,	1.60
Belknap county farm, board, Alvin Hoyt, town,	13.57
Willis P. Emerson, aid to Mattie Hayes, county,	81.00
David E. Clough, aid to Clara Blackmore, county,	1.00
Frank A. Varney, aid to Richard Merrill, county,	6.94
Total,	<hr/> \$111.61

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid the J. H. Downing Co., county,	\$106.00
W. P. Emerson, county,	81.00
Total,	<hr/> \$187.00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Walter A. Lang, ballot inspector, '06, '07 and '08,	\$6.00
Elam R. Wright, supervisor, '07 and '08,	22.00
Sylvester B. Huckins, supervisor, '07 and '08,	20.00
Charles B. Hutchins, board of health,	20.00
Charles E. Fifield, board of health,	13.30
Charles E. Fifield, probation officer,	15.00
Charles E. Fifield, truant officer,	4.00
Edward W. Francis, police officer,	7.00
George W. Place, constable,	13.00
George W. Place, fire ward,	9.00

Laban G. Welch, supervisor, '07 and '08,	14.00
Charles H. McDuffee, selectman,	4.00
Lewis H. Lamprey, selectman,	3.00
Albert J. Jones, school board,	20.00
Alta H. McDuffee, school board,	30.00
Arthur D. Rollins, school board,	20.00
Frank A. Varney, school treasurer,	15.00
Frank A. Varney, ballot inspector,	6.00
Percy S. Jones, town clerk,	61.89
Waldo C. Varney, town clerk,	9.40
Herbert J. Jones, town treasurer,	50.00
Frank M. Ayer, overseer of poor,	15.00
Oscar Duncan, selectman,	81.00
Charles H. Downing, fire ward,	5.00
Charles H. Downing, collector,	185.00
William H. Berry, selectman,	75.00
Alonzo B. Lang, fire ward,	5.00
Frank M. Ayer, selectman,	101.00
Willis P. Emerson, auditor,	2.00
W. P. Peabody, auditor,	2.00
Total,	<hr/> \$833.59

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1907 AND 1908.

Paid Charles E. Fifield,	\$9.15
Herbert Glidden,	1.50
Fred W. Leach,	7.49
Jacob Peterson,	5.20
George Elliott,	4.40
Lewis P. Varney,	1.95
Charles A. Barr,	.85
Calvin S. Glidden,	21.00

Al T. Gilman,	23.62
Fred S. Gilman,	27.95
Fred I. Woodman,	8.00
Orin D. Glidden,	12.00
Frank Glidden,	6.60
Charles Clough,	4.67
Lewis E. Avery,	4.55
Selden H. Glidden,	5.00
John P. Leavitt,	1.35
Charles H. Moulton,	3.50
Sewell E. Roberts,	15.00
Frank Carpenter,	3.15
Fred E. Glidden,	40.38
Albert D. Morse,	30.96
Charles H. W. Jones,	30.50
George W. Lamper,	37.20
David and Orrin Lamper,	10.36
Willis E. Glidden,	12.35
Amanda Willard,	1.95
Thomas J. Alden,	7.35
Irad B. Gilman,	9.85
Charles D. Marston,	.60
Moses W. Flanders,	1.65
Harry L. Flanders,	.82
John Weeks,	4.79
Thomas J. Alden,	5.85
James B. Place,	5.17
Edwin A. Shagnon,	9.09
Cyrus Deane,	.30
Charles P. Hayes,	3.75
Fred Glidden,	3.00
Albert D. Varney,	5.70
John R. Tufts,	.75

Lester A. Young,	19.25
David H. Morrison,	2.55
Harry Morrison,	6.20
George W. Morrison,	7.85
Seth H. Kimball,	5.10
William Shaw,	1.80
Seth E. Rollins,	6.08
Calvin Rollins,	7.06
Seth E. Grant,	6.30
Harison B. Ricker,	8.85
Frank H. Emerson,	.75
Levi G. Page,	6.23
Calvin H. Flanders,	4.73
Morris L. Flanders,	4.80
Dana Bradley,	.90
John McPhee,	2.40
Alonzo B. Lang,	4.35
Charles G. Drew,	3.00
Willie M. Stevens,	3.60
George W. Colbath,	3.40
Andrew J. Gilman,	4.60
Forrest H. Rollins,	8.40
George W. Place,	36.30
Hadley F. Gilman,	23.50
George H. Fifield,	12.00
George W. Gerrish,	.45
Charles Y. Thyng,	.30
Ira W. Mitchell,	4.00
Lewis A. Proctor,	4.50
Edwin K. Jenkins,	1.20
Edgar P. Seward,	1.50
Romeyn B. Hurd,	7.13
C. C. Rines heirs,	12.45

Nathaniel Phillips,	4.95
Stephen Shagnon,	10.80
George Shagnon,	2.25
Hiram O. Tuttle,	3.30
George W. Rollins,	8.40
Enos G. Rollins,	2.00
George S. Chamberlin,	5.40
Robert A. Frohock,	14.44
W. Allen Varney,	2.10
Percy H. Walker,	3.95
Jonathan L. Rollins,	6.80
Stephen P. Barnes,	2.85
Hervey G. Hayes,	1.80
Albert H. Hayes,	3.10
Joseph A. Mooney,	1.20
Julian Emerson,	.83
Edwin O. Prescott,	5.20
George W. Horne,	1.75
Velzora A. Dealand,	5.80
Sylvester B. Huckins,	9.70
John F. Hanson,	1.25
William H. Berry,	2.40
Frank L. Furber,	5.00
Ira C. Chamberlain,	7.15
Harold A. Dunnells,	5.89

\$729.14

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$2,311.36
Total receipts during the year,	19,491.85

Total,	\$21,803.21
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year,	\$18,652.66
Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1909,	3,149.55

Total,	\$21,803.21
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DEBT.

Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$7,133.15
Assets, Feb. 15, 1908,	3,842.76

Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1908,	\$3,290.39
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Liabilities, Feb. 15, 1909,	\$4,865.82
Assets, Feb. 15, 1909,	3,915.45

Debt of town, Feb. 15, 1909,	\$950.37
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Decrease of debt,	\$2,340.02
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RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1908,	\$2,311.36
Taxes received from collector,	13,350.89
Railroad tax,	1,110.54
Savings bank tax,	1,138.42
Literary fund,	125.37
Proportion of school fund,	300.00
Belknap county, for support of paupers,	274.94
Dog license,	315.60
Miscellaneous items,	2,953.09

Total,	\$21,803.21
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Town paupers,	\$22.67	
County paupers,	95.94	
Town officers,	833.59	
Highway, summer work,	2,695.31	
Highway, winter work,	729.14	
Supplies for schools,	336.93	
Damage by dogs,	69.00	
State tax,	1,325.00	
County tax,	1,800.35	
Fireman tax,	105.00	
Memorial appropriation,	50.00	
Town notes and interest,	2,021.04	
Support of schools,	4,656.79	
Abatement 1907 taxes,	21.29	
Abatement 1908 taxes,	62.86	
Dependent soldiers and families,	187.00	
Miscellaneous,	3,641.75	
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Total,		\$18,653.66
Excess of receipts over disbursements,		3,149.55
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Total,		\$21,803.21

ASSETS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	\$3,149.55	
Balance due from Belknap county,	45.92	
Metal culverts on hand,	46.60	
Due from C. F. Rand estate,	33.00	
Due from back taxes bought by town,	596.88	
Due from 1908 taxes bought by town,	43.50	
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		\$3,915.45

LIABILITIES.

Due sundry parties on notes,	\$4,111.56	
School literary fund,	125.37	
School, balance dog money,	233.85	
Unexpended balance of permanent improvement fund.	395.04	
Total indebtedness of town.		\$4,865.82

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received for dog licenses.	\$315.60
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PAYMENTS.

Damage by dogs,	\$69.00	
Expenses collecting,	12.75	
Balance due schools,	233.85	
Total,		\$315.60

TRUST FUNDS.

Carrie B. Nute, cemetery fund,	\$150.00	
Eveline L. Palmer, library fund,	500.00	
Sarah J. I. Evans, cemetery fund.	100.00	
Total,		\$750.00

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year.

Respectfully submitted without an apology,

FRANK M. AYER,
WILLIAM H. BERRY.
OSCAR DUNCAN,

Selectmen of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
WILLIAM P. PEABODY.

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

Report of Treasurer.

1908.

March 16	Balance cash in treasury.	\$2,311.36
	Received of W. E. Sanborn, collector '07,	606.20
March 28	Received of W. E. Sanborn, collector, '07,	143.30
April 13	Received of W. E. Sanborn, collector, '07,	125.71
June 13	Received of W. E. Sanborn, collector, '07,	27.55
June 17	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	475.00
July 28	Received of P. S. Jones, dog licenses,	276.00
Aug. 1	Received of State License Commissioners, '07 balance,	4.14
Aug. 1	Received of State License Commissioners, 1908 licenses,	168.21
Aug. 3	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
Aug. 15	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Aug. 17	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
Aug. 27	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Sept. 12	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	125.00
Sept. 19	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	400.00
Sept. 30	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	79.37

Oct.	10	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	650.00
Nov.	14	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	800.00
Nov.	19	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	122.59
Nov.	28	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	9.50
		Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
Dec.	1	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	625.00
Dec.	7	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,000.00
Dec.	16	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,300.00
		Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	218.00
Dec.	26	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	300.00
Dec.	28	Received of F. M. Ayer, R. R. tax,	1,110.54
		Received of F. M. Ayer, savings bank tax,	1,138.42
		Received of F. M. Ayer, literary fund,	125.37
		Received of F. M. Ayer, school fund,	300.00
Dec.	29	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	200.00
1909.			
Jan.	2	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	150.00
Jan.	4	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	59.65
Jan.	11	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,000.00
Jan.	22	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	72.42
Jan.	25	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	369.29
Feb.	1	Received of P. S. Jones, dog licenses,	39.60
Feb.	6	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	1,467.71
		Received of Stev Demetris, license,	8.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	100.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	190.09
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	77.00
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	109.65
Feb.	15	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	130.89
Feb.	15	Received of F. M. Ayer, selectman,	56.94

Cash received,	\$17,672.50
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CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1908.

March 20	Paid Charles E. Tuttle,	\$10.00
March 21	Farmington News,	50.60
March 28	Abbie M. Dore,	3.00
April 3	F. A. Varney,	500.00
April 6	Pearle S. Bassett,	12.50
April 6	Edson C. Eastmon,	8.47
April 20	Mindwell Whitehouse,	75.00
April 27	William H. Berry,	40.00
April 28	Oscar Duncan,	50.00
May 1	F. A. Varney,	500.00
May 22	F. A. Varney,	500.00
May 25	Alton Electric Light Co.,	10.00
May 29	M. H. Savage Post,	50.00
June 6	A. S. French,	159.50
June 9	Irada B. Gilman	19.35
	The J. H. Downing Co.,	36.00
June 11	Gilbert & Barker Manf'g Co.,	26.43
June 12	Evans Furniture Co.,	24.85
	Good Roads Machine Co.,	17.50
	W. A. Lang,	6.00
June 13	Orrin Lamper,	7.00
June 15	Pearle S. Bassett,	12.50
June 17	F. A. Varney,	500.00
June 18	Nelson Brackett,	5.00
June 26	Albert J. Jones,	151.38
June 26	Walter Tuttle,	12.00
June 26	John Whitehouse,	4.35
June 26	C. A. Horne,	10.73
June 29	Albert Foster,	3.22
July 21	S. B. Cole, county treasurer, per receipt,	900.18

July	23	New England Metal Culvert Co.,	183.33
July	28	F. M. Ayer,	47.92
Aug.	5	Oscar Duncan,	23.65
Sept.	17	Pearle S. Bassett,	12.50
Sept.	19	Herman P. Horne,	75.00
Sept.	19	Board of health,	25.00
Oct.	1	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Oct.	5	Margaret A. Wadleigh,	100.00
Oct.	5	Orren A. Lamper,	30.00
Oct.	5	Charles W. Whitehouse,	45.00
Oct.	5	Colby & Hill,	17.28
Oct.	5	Alton Electric Light Co.,	10.00
Oct.	5	W. H. Berry,	15.00
Oct.	5	F. M. Ayer,	60.00
Oct.	23	Cyrus Furber,	2.00
Oct.	23	David E. Clough,	5.25
Oct.	28	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Nov.	3	Frank S. Nutter,	20.00
Nov.	6	Andrew J. Ward,	9.00
Nov.	7	George F. Glidden,	40.80
Nov.	9	Charles E. Fifield,	37.00
Nov.	13	Charles H. Tibbetts,	12.00
Nov.	13	Fred H. Crocker,	5.94
Nov.	13	Oscar Duncan,	23.90
Nov.	13	John Farquhar & Son,	4.54
Nov.	13	Gilbert & Barker Co.,	32.55
Nov.	19	Portsmouth Coal Pockets,	65.84
Nov.	19	P. H. Wheeler,	4.50
Nov.	19	Charles W. Emerson,	1.50
Nov.	19	Stephen H. Flanders,	1.50
Nov.	19	F. M. Ayer Co.,	1.60
Nov.	24	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Nov.	24	F. A. Varney,	500.00

Nov.	25	Elam R. Wright,	22.00
Nov.	28	Sylvester B. Huckins,	20.00
Nov.	28	Mindwell Whitehouse,	75.00
Nov.	28	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Nov.	30	Paul E. Buckley,	1.60
Nov.	30	The J. H. Downing Co.,	50.00
Nov.	30	The Downing Co.,	60.45
Nov.	30	George W. Place,	135.38
Nov.	30	George W. Place,	4.18
Dec.	3	W. P. Emerson,	66.00
Dec.	3	W. P. Emerson,	66.00
Dec.	3	George H. Fifield,	38.50
Dec.	5	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	12	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	12	Mrs. Harold S. Gilman,	12.50
Dec.	16	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.,	500.00
Dec.	17	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Dec.	19	Albert J. Jones,	185.55
Dec.	19	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	26	Clarence Spinney,	5.00
Dec.	28	Solon A. Carter, state tax, per receipt,	1,325.00
Dec.	30	S. B. Cole, county treasurer, per receipt,	900.17

1909.

Jan.	2	Elam R. Wright,	3.50
Jan.	4	George W. Place,	7.00
Jan.	4	James Dobbins,	23.52
Jan.	4	Alton Electric Light Co.,	10.00
Jan.	4	Gilman Snow Guard Co.,	12.20
Jan.	4	Lothrop & Pinkham,	2.70
Jan.	8	The J. H. Downing Co.,	9.25
Jan.	14	Chas. E. Hutchins,	25.96

Jan.	15	J. B. Hunter Co.,	6.50
Jan.	23	F. A. Varney,	500.00
Feb.	4	Albert DeMerritt,	8.00
Feb.	4	Charles E. Fifield,	32.30
Feb.	4	The J. H. Downing Co.,	20.00
Feb.	8	Willie E. Sanborn,	2.20
Feb.	8	Belknap county farm,	13.57
Feb.	8	Stella M. Francis,	20.00
Feb.	8	E. W. Francis,	30.00
Feb.	8	Jewell, Owen & Veasey,	13.00
Feb.	8	A. S. French,	17.50
Feb.	8	Jacob Chamberlain,	3.60
Feb.	11	Abbie M. Dore,	3.00
Feb.	11	David E. Clough,	1.00
Feb.	11	H. H. Bennett,	5.90
Feb.	11	Jones & Lamprey,	4.23
Feb.	13	George W. Place,	84.00
Feb.	13	L. G. Welch,	14.60
Feb.	13	Ira Mitchell,	3.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	15.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	15.00
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	2.18
Feb.	13	Willis P. Emerson,	120.70
Feb.	13	Melville Adams,	292.55
Feb.	13	Frank A. Varney,	2.04
Feb.	13	Edwin W. Cummings,	1.50
Feb.	13	C. H. McDuffee,	4.00
Feb.	13	Lewis H. Lamprey,	3.00

Feb.	13	S. E. Colbath & Co.,	.75
Feb.	13	Forest H. Rollins,	3.00
Feb.	13	F. A. Varney,	156.79
Feb.	13	A. J. Jones,	20.00
Feb.	13	Alta H. McDuffee,	30.00
Feb.	15	Arthur D. Rollins,	20.00
Feb.	15	Arthur D. Rollins,	5.50
Feb.	15	David H. Morrison,	3.00
Feb.	15	F. A. Varney,	21.00
Feb.	15	F. A. Varney	4.90
Feb.	15	Percy S. Jones,	61.89
Feb.	15	A. S. French (executor) ,	762.11
Feb.	15	Alton police court,	24.00
Feb.	15	W. C. Varney,	9.40
Feb.	15	H. J. Jones,	100.00
Feb.	15	Alton & Alton Bay Water Works Co.,	301.00
Feb.	15	H. J. Jones,	50.00
Feb.	15	A. J. Jones,	1.30
Feb.	15	Oscar Duncan,	31.90
Feb.	15	J. Jones & Son,	31.13
Feb.	15	C. H. Downing,	190.00
Feb.	15	A. B. Lang,	5.00
Feb.	15	Edward K. Jenkins,	3.00
Feb.	15	C. H. Downing,	15.00
Feb.	15	W. H. Berry,	35.00
Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	32.00
Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	33.36

Feb.	15	F. M. Ayer,	116.00
Feb.	15	Margaret A. Wadleigh,	29.08
Feb.	15	Cordelia M. Woodman,	435.49
Feb.	15	James W. Durgin,	326.62
Feb.	15	Sarah J. Clark,	108.87
Feb.	15	John Q. Adams,	108.87
Feb.	15	Willis P. Emerson,	2.00
Feb.	15	W. P. Peabody,	2.00

Total,	\$14,522.95
Balance in treasury,	3,149.55

\$17,672.50

HERBERT J. JONES, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,

W. P. PEABODY,

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

School Report.

In conformity to the statute requirements, the school board herewith submits the following as their twenty-second annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

W. ALTON.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Grace H. Rollins; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Grace H. Rollins.

MOUNTAIN.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Carolyn E. May; fall term of nine weeks, taught by Carrie C. Paul; and three weeks taught by Bertha M. Stevens.

CLOUGH.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Elizabeth R. Johnson; fall term of eighteen weeks, taught by Martha Savage.

McDUFFEE.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Eva M. Harris; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Eula M. Presby.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Nelson S. Mitchell and Fannie G. de Dochemont, assistant. Fall

term of fifteen weeks, taught by Percy E. Gleason and Fannie G. de Rochemont; assistant. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

GRAMMAR.

Spring term of eleven weeks and fall term of fifteen weeks, taught by Grace E. Lord. The winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

INTERMEDIATE.

Spring term of eleven weeks, and fall term of fifteen weeks, taught by Margaret H. Manning. A winter term of ten weeks is now in progress.

PRIMARY.

Spring term of eleven weeks; taught by Bertha M. Stevens; fall and winter terms of fifteen and ten weeks respectively, taught by Leila F. Hussey.

BAY.

A spring term of eleven weeks, taught by Elizabeth T. Whitehouse; fall term of nineteen weeks, taught by Elizabeth M. Hardy.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of district treasurer,	\$366.88
Raised by tax for support of schools,	3,187.50
Raised by tax for repairs,	50.00
Raised by tax for High school,	300.00
Raised by tax for grade schools,	350.00
Literary fund,	117.12
Dog tax,	252.17

State (school supervision),	300.00
Tuition from Mr. Munsey,	20.50
Railroad tax,	100.00
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	\$5.044.17
Due from Mark Harris,	10.50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid teachers' salaries	\$3,131.00
fuel and fitting same,	228.38
janitor,	205.39
superintendent,	583.33
repairs,	42.35
tuition to other towns,	60.00
transportation of school children,	407.00
miscellaneous,	134.76
Bal. in hands of district treasurer,	251.96
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	\$5.044.17

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS,
ALTA H. McDUFFEE,
ALBERT J. JONES,

School Board of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
WILLIAM P. PEABODY,

Auditors.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

School District Treasurer's Report.

CASH RECEIVED.

1908.

March	20.	Balance in treasury,	\$366.88
April	3.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
May	1.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
	22.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
June	17.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Oct.	1.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
	28.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Nov.	24.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Dec.	17.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00

1909.

Jan.	23.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	500.00
Feb.	15.	Received of Herbert J. Jones, treasurer,	56.79
	15.	Received railroad money,	100.00
	16.	Received of Mr. Munsey for tuition,	20.50

\$5,044.17

CASH PAID OUT.

1908.

March	20.	Paid B. L. Blaisdell,	\$21.25
	24.	Bertha M. Stevens,	60.00
April	4.	E. O. Prescott,	2.75
	6.	Grace E. Lord,	40.00

	6.	Fannie G. De Rochemont,	40.00
	10.	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	10.	Margaret Manning,	50.00
	10.	C. A. Twombly,	50.00
	17.	Charles H. Davis,	7.15
	17.	Julian Emerson,	9.00
	22.	Harry L. Moore,	113.32
	24.	George A. Dore,	2.00
	29.	Leroy Woodman,	6.00
May	1.	B. L. Blaisdell,	27.19
	1.	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse,	28.00
	1.	Bertha M. Stevens,	40.00
	1.	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	1.	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	2.	Carolyn E. May,	32.00
	2.	Fannie G. De Rochemont,	40.00
	2.	Elizabeth R. Johnson,	28.00
	4.	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	6.	C. H. W. Jones,	2.50
	6	Chas. H. Davis,	7.15
	6	Eva M. Harris,	28.00
	11	F. N. Merrill,	30.00
	16	W. Allen Varney,	15.00
	16	B. L. Blaisdell,	10.00
	17	Louie M. Small,	35.00
	22	Grace E. Lord,	30.00
	22	Fannie G. de Rochmont,	30.00
	23	Nelson S. Mitchell,	130.00
	29	Carolyn E. May,	32.00
	29	B. L. Blaisdell,	10.00
	29	Bertha M. Stevens,	40.00
	29	Eva M. Harris,	28.00
June	3	Elizabeth Johnson,	28.00

	4	H. L. Moore,	56.66
	4	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	16	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse,	14.00
	19	Margaret H. Manning,	45.00
	19	Nelson S. Mitchell,	65.00
	19	Grace E. Lord,	\$40.00
	19	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	19	Elizabeth Johnson,	21.00
	20	Raymond C. Duncan,	12.50
	20	Eva M. Harris,	21.00
	20	Allen Varney,	25.00
	20	Louie M. Small,	42.00
	20	B. L. Blaisdell,	19.50
	26	Carolyn C. Varney,	20.00
	27	Gilman & Cotton,	60.00
	27	Ai T. Gilman,	105.00
	29	Carolyn E. May,	24.00
	29	Farmington News,	6.00
July	1	I. W. Mitchell,	3.00
	2	H. L. Moore,	113.35
	2	H. L. Moore,	7.75
	6	Elizabeth T. Whitehouse,	35.00
	24	Bertha M. Stevens,	10.00
Aug.	11	Raymond C. Duncan,	6.57
	12	Forest Rollins,	1.85
Sept.	4	H. L. Barr,	35.00
	10	B. L. Blaisdell,	12.95
	22	Chas. H. Davis,	7.15
	25	Percy E. Gleason,	20.00
Oct.	1	Jones & Lampréy,	87.32
	2	Percy E. Gleason,	45.00
	2	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	2	Grace E. Lord,	40.00

	2	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	2	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	2	Eula M. Presbry	28.00
	2	B. L. Blaisdell,	20.00
	3	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	3	H. L. Moore,	60.00
	6	Allen Varney,	20.00
	8	Dorothy R. Palmer,	28.00
	8	Dorothy R. Palmer,	7.00
	15	Percy E. Gleason,	25.00
	23	Martha Atkinson,	33.80
	31	Albert S. Emerson,	.90
	31	Grace H. Rollins,	30.00
	31	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	31	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	31	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	31	Percy E. Gleason,	40.00
Nov.	3	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00
	31	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
	3	Allen Varney,	20.00
	5	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	14.00
	6	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	9	Carrie E. Paul,	67.20
	21	Grace H. Rollins,	47.00
	24	Percy E. Gleason,	65.00
	24	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	24	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	24	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	25	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00
	25	Allen Varney.	15.00
	28	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
Dec.	5	Harry L. Moore,	60.00
	5	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00

	8	Elizabeth Hardy,	21.00
	8	Martha Savage,	35.00
	11	Wolfeboro school district,	22.50
	11	Alta H. McDuffee,	5.00
	18	H. L. Moore,	11.80
	18	H. L. Moore,	60.00
	18	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	30.00
	18	Grace E. Lord,	30.00
	18	Leila F. Hussey,	27.00
	18	Percy E. Gleason,	75.75
	18	Percy E. Gleason,	1.90
	19	Margaret H. Manning,	30.00
	19	B. L. Blaisdell,	15.00
	24	Julian Emerson,	5.00
	25	Elbridge Ellis,	15.00
	25	Martha Savage,	28.00
	28	Bertha M. Stevens,	24.00
	28	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
1909.			
Jan.	4	W. Allen Varney,	20.00
	4	Eula M. Presbry,	28.00
	12	Ai T. Gilman,	75.00
	23	Percy E. Gleason,	15.00
	23	Elizabeth M. Hardy,	28.00
	23	Eula M. Presby,	21.00
	23	W. Allen Varney,	20.00
	25	Martha G. Savage,	28.00
	27	G. W. Place,	76.66
	28	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40.00
	28	Grace E. Lord,	40.00
	30	Leila F. Hussey,	36.00
	30	B. L. Blaisdell,	21.50
Feb.	4	Margaret H. Manning,	40.00

5	Percy E. Gleason,	75.25
5	Percy E. Gleason,	.46
6	H. L. Moore,	60.00
6	B. L. Blaisdell,	5.00
6	Julian Emerson,	2.50
6	Grace H. Rollins,	56.00
9	New Durham school district,	7.50
9	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	10.00
9	Grace E. Lord,	10.00
9	Leila F. Hussey,	9.00
10	Margaret H. Manning,	10.00
12	Chas. H. Jones,	3.00
12	George Locke,	5.00
12	Cyrus Furber,	1.00
12	Jones & Lamprey,	13.91
15	H. L. Moore,	60.00
15	S. E. Colbath & Co.,	1.75
15	A. D. Rollins,	13.85
15	A. D. Varney,	8.00
16	J. Jones & Son,	4.82
16	Alton and Alton Bay W. Co.,	11.75
16	W. E. Sanborn,	1.50
Total,		\$4,792.21
Balance in treasury,		251.96
Total,		\$5,044.17

FRANK A. VARNEY,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

W. P. EMERSON,

W. P. PEABODY,

Auditors.

Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Board and Citizens of Alton:

I herewith submit to you my second annual report as superintendent of your public schools.

ATTENDANCE.

Following the spirit of my last report, special effort has been made to encourage the children to a more regular and punctual attendance. A notable improvement over last year may be observed, yet in a few cases much is still to be desired. Below is a comparison of the attendance record for the fall terms of 1907 and 1908:

	1907	1908		1907	1908
High . . .	91.9%	96.2%	West . . .	74.8%	93.0%
Grammar . .	90.8	93.2	Clough . .	61.6	73.0
Intermediate	93.9	94.4	McDuffee . .	89.4	90.6
Primary . . .	92.4	92.6	Mountain . .	87.2	75.3
			1907	1908	
			Bay	85.6%	

THE BAY SCHOOL.

Owing to the increased number of children at the Bay, the school was re-opened for the spring term with an average membership of fifteen pupils. It has since been in session. Twelve pupils are now enrolled.

The work of the school has been confined to that of the first five grades, and made as far as possible identical with that of like grades at the village. Pupils completing the fifth grade here pass to the sixth grade at the village. In

this way it has been conducted as a semi-graded school. But it is plainly impossible to do the same work with equal efficiency. The school year is shorter by six weeks, and the teacher has charge of five grades instead of three.

REPAIRS.

A few minor repairs have been made during the year. Some changes are still needed at West Alton and the McDuffee school. But the question of special importance at present is that of better and more adequate accommodations for the village. The school building is filled to its full seating capacity. In the grammar room, desks have been installed until there is no room for more. The school in the block must seek new quarters at the beginning of another year. The matter has now become one of more than temporary expediency; it is one of permanent educational and financial policy.

Either a substantial addition to the present building could be erected, or a new building entire. The first, if properly constructed, would meet all present needs at comparatively small expense; the other would give to Alton a permanent public building to which she could point with pride, and would provide for her children a school home equal to the best.

MEMBERSHIP.

The general movement of school membership is towards the center and the graded schools. This is universally true and has been for many years. The following table shows the trend in Alton, based upon average membership for the fall terms, 1907 and 1908:

	1907	1908		1907	1908
Grammar	27.08%	29.27%	Mountain	18.38%	15.62%
Inter	26.09	22.38	West	9.39	7.63
Primary	29.02	30.81	Clough	9.96	10.21
Bay		11.53	McDuffee	7.23	9.88

This shows a gain of 14 per cent. in the village schools, and a loss of 3 per cent. in the districts.

CO-OPERATION.

The habit of persistent attention to duty, beyond its effect upon the child's daily work, forms in itself an essential part of his education, a part that determines quite largely the degree of his success in after life. With few children this habit is natural and easily formed; but with most it is developed only through the constant vigilance of parents and teacher. Thus the vital importance of co-operation the one with the other in the work and discipline of the school. Whatever is allowed to weaken this co-operation by so much weakens the possibilities of the child. Whatever leads to open opposition paves the way to a narrow, discontented citizen twenty years hence; narrow through his false impressions of duty and authority, discontented because in his limited vision he is ever out of harmony with his environment. The parent who openly ceases to support the discipline of the school, and allows his words of criticism and abuse to fall upon the ears of his children not only seriously injures the school, but does more, I believe, to blight the future possibilities of his children than the most efficient instruction can ever regain. A child's respect for all that the school stands for may be permanently weakened and often totally destroyed by a parent's single criticism. *Criticize the school if it needs it, but never within hearing of the child.* Parents have reason to expect much from the school, but never more than they are willing to contribute in encouragement and support.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Our high school has again been approved by the state department and commended for its work, which in every

department was satisfactory. The adoption of a second or English course has justified itself by an added interest and a nearer approach to the real requirements of the students. A more business-like attitude prevails, with less desire to drop studies or change courses. Each study is recognized as having its proper place, to be satisfactorily completed before credit can be received. This is adding much to the school's strength and character. Eleven pupils entered in September on examination, ten from our own schools and one from Gilmanton.

A student is now promoted and graduated according to points or credits. At the end of each year he receives as many credits for each study satisfactorily completed as there have been recitation periods per week in that study. For full work, he must take twenty periods per week, which entitles him to twenty credits at the close of the year. Eighty credits are required for graduation.

In case a student fails in one study he is promoted conditionally, and repeats that study. Should he fail in two or more studies, he remains in his class another year, repeating, however, only the work in which he has failed, possibly taking in addition one or two studies in the next succeeding class, according to his standing and ability. Thus a student receives credit for just what he has done, and at no time is he obliged to repeat a study in which he has done satisfactory work. He may complete his course of eighty credits in three, four, or five years.

The high school of the present stands as an open door to every child in the state. It offers, aside from preparation for college, a continued four years' training during a period in life most susceptible to potent influences for suc-

cess and right living. It is waking up the ambitious boy and girl of the farm and the village to new opportunities and giving them a start. The small high school is doing a great good in this respect, one that common terms can never measure.

But does the town reap its due proportion of the benefit? Probably not. The drift of high school graduates is usually away to the larger centers. The school, of course, in so far as it awakens ambition and prepares for possibilities foreign to the life of the town is responsible. To offset this drain, I believe the school in time can do much. It can bring its work into closer touch with that of the community which it serves. Children educated to home industries are more apt to remain at home to enrich the life and citizenship of their native town.

Every high school should maintain its college preparatory course, and every encouragement be given to those able and desiring to enter college. But what of the boy, the girl whose school training ends at our hands? We should offer to him an equal chance. It is to him that the educational thought of the present is being directed. Is he surrounded by manufacturing interests; they offer him a course including the mechanic arts. Does he live in a business center; they direct his training towards the essentials of commercial life. Is his home and interest on the farm; then let us assist him to a knowledge of the elements of agriculture and a better life upon the farm. Thus, I believe, will be determined in a large measure the high school education of the future.

The aim is not in any sense to furnish trade instruction. but it is an attempt to meet the child on the ground of his

nearest interests and offer to him a cultural training centered about these interests, also to offer to those who find little that is attractive in the classical courses a vital link that connects with the realities of life; resulting, I believe, in a greater per cent. of the young people of the community settling at home to add to its wealth and influence.

Alton lies in the midst of an agricultural community. Fifty per cent. of our high school students come from homes on the farm. It seems to me that there is a demand for an agricultural course. I would commend the matter to your careful consideration.

In the language of the state course of study, this course contemplates the following purposes:

“1. It proposes to utilize the science of agriculture as a means of general culture, parallel for this purpose with physics, chemistry, and the languages.

“2. It proposes to meet the boy whose previous interests have been those of the farm on the ground of those interests, and interpret them to him as a worthy part of higher education.

“3. It proposes to offer to him a sound educational basis for an efficient and worthy life as a husbandman.

“4. While primarily for the boy who cannot go to college, it also will serve as an excellent preparation for advanced schools of agriculture.

“5. It contemplates an addition to the wealth of the state and nation in a more highly trained generation of farmers.

Following is the course in outline:

Year	Subject	Hours per Week	Year	Subject	Hours per Week
I	English	5	III	English	5
	Algebra	5		Chemistry	5
	Biology	5		Comparative) 5
	Farm Bookkeeping	} 5		Physiology	
	Business Practice			Rural Engineering	} 5
		French	5		
II	English	5	IV	English	4
	Geometry	5		American History	4
	Physics	5		French	4
	Horticulture	} 5		Rural Economy and	} 4
	Agriculture			Farm Management	
		Animal Husbandry	4		
		and Dairying			

SCHOOL WORK.

The school work has been considerably strengthened and brought nearer to standard grade. Results in most instances have been gratifying. No special methods have been encouraged. Emphasis has been placed on proper preparation and presentation by the teacher, followed by constant drill.

In accordance with a state movement recently organized, a plan for testing the eyesight of pupils has been begun. This is not in any way an attempt to displace the duties of the physician, but merely to ascertain by means of the common letter chart whose eyes are defective and need treatment. A card will be sent to the parents of pupils whose eyesight is found to be at fault. Parents may then consult an oculist, who will determine the nature of the trouble and, if possible, correct it. This is but the beginning of a widespread movement based upon the conviction that a child's physical as well as his mental welfare is a matter of public concern.

A visiting day was granted to each teacher during the spring term with good results. One was also given to each district teacher in the fall for visiting our own graded schools. This I believe to be of special value, as it enables these teachers, usually of less experience, to keep in touch with work at the village. I would recommend that the same privileges be allowed the coming year.

Let me again urge parents and citizens to visit the schools and observe for themselves what the children are doing.

For further data, I refer you to the appendices.

In conclusion, allow me to express my high appreciation for the generous support of board, teachers and pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. MOORE,
Superintendent.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1909.

SUMMARY.

School Year 1907-1908.

Length of village schools, in weeks,	36
Length of district schools, in weeks,	30
Average length for all schools,	32.57
Whole number of pupils,	204
Boys,	99
Girls,	105
Average attendance,	152
Average absence,	18
Average membership,	170
Percent of attendance,	89
Cases of tardiness,	693
Number of pupils not absent nor tardy,	8
Number visits by superintendent,	111
Number of visits by school board,	32
Number of visits by citizens,	279
Average weekly salary of teachers,	\$8.31
Number normal graduates,	3
Cost per pupil total current expenses,	\$29.67
Cost per pupil for instruction,	18.58
Cost per pupil for supervision,	3.43
Cost per pupil for supplies, etc.,	.94
Cost per pupil for books,	1.26

FALL TERM, 1908.

SCHOOL	TEACHER	Wages per Week	Education	Total Number Pupils	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Percentage of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness
High	Percy E Gleason	18 06	College					
	Fannie G deRochemont	10 00	College	39	34.22	35.55	96	74
Grammar	Grace E Lord	10 00	Normal	31	27.28	29.27	93	46
Intermediate	Margaret H Manning	10 00	Normal	23	21.08	23.38	94	15
Primary	Leila F Hussey	9 00	Normal Course	36	28.54	30.81	93	4
Bay	Elizabeth M Hardy	7 00	High School	13	9.87	11.53	86	77
Mountain	Carrie C Paul	8 00	Training School	17	11.72	15.62	75	142
West	Grace W Rollins	7 00	High School	10	7.10	7.63	93	9
Clough	Martha G Savage	7 00	High School	13	7.46	10.21	73	26
McDuffee	Eula M Presby	7 00	High School	10	8.96	9.88	91	34

High School Classes

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Year	Total
Entered by Promotion, Sept., 1908	11	15	—	10	36
Failed to Pass Previous Year	3	0	—	0	3
Total Membership	14	15	—	10	39
Left During the Year	3	3	—	0	6
Membership, Feb. 15, 1909	11	12	—	10	33

Roll of Honor.

School year 1907-1908.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mildred Davis.

Edith Welch.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Albert Adams.

Wallace Adams.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Ella Adams.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Helen Gilman.

Doris McDuffee.

Rexford Horman.



Marriages Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1910

Date	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at time of Marriage.	Age of Groom at time of Marriage.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official position of person by whom solemnized.
Jan 1	Gonzle	Arthur L Gilman	Alton	36	e	Fireman	Gilmanton	John P Gilman	Gilmanton	Farmer	2	Edward W Cummings
		Emma J Kingston	Chelsea, Ms.	32		Bookkeeper	N'w Brunswick	Richard Kingston	New Brunswick	Ship builder	1	Waldo C Turney
Feb 8	Alton	James H White	Alton	33		Teamster	Plainfield, Conn	George W White	Plainfield, Conn	Motorman	2	James O'Brien
		Belle Richmond	Dover	28		Housekeeper	Wolfeboro	George Laver	Bridgeton, Me	Housewife	2	Edward W Cummings
Mar 26	"	Herman P Horn	"	51		Farmer	Alton	Alfred Horn	Farmington	Drummer	3	James O'Brien
		Liane M Blaisdel	"	21		Housekeeper	"	Leola Littlefield	Wolfeboro	Housewife	1	James O'Brien
Apr 22	Penobscot, Me	Frank Huffer Emerson	"	34		Carpenter	"	Alfred H Bicker	Alton	Housekeeper	1	James W Higinson
		Mildred Trask Perkins	Penobscot, Me	38		Housekeeper	Penobscot, Mass	James Trask	Salem, Mass	Housewife	1	James W Higinson
Apr 30	Alton	Franklin S Place	Alton	33		Carpenter	Gilmanton	James Place	Alton	Housekeeper	2	John A Pogue
		Luanne M Prescott	Barnstead	37		Housekeeper	Barnstead	Grace W Place	Gilmanton	Farmer	2	John A Pogue
May 3	Farmington	David A Gould	Alton	67		Mill man	Hiram, Me	Mary J Goodrich	Gilmanton	Housekeeper	2	E K Amason
		Ann M Dore	"	67		Farmer	Alton	Delia May	Alton	Housewife	2	E K Amason
June 2	Alton	Charles D Merston	"	57		Farmer	Holbrook	John P Merston	Holbrook	Farmer	2	A T Everett
		Louella P Wilson	"	56		Housekeeper	Standen, Can	Robert L Winkley	Standen, Canada	Painter	2	A T Everett
June 20	Tilton	Carroll Montross	Lyndon, Vt	21		Salesman	Gilmanton	Presilla Morrill	Gilmanton	Housewife	1	John A Chapin
		Edna J Tibbitts	Alton	21		At home	Alton	John Tibbitts	Alton	Housewife	1	John A Chapin
June 29	Alton	Clarence L Woolman	"	25		Teacher	"	Frank P Woodman	Alton	Mechanic	1	John A Pogue
		Clara J Long	Plattsburgh, NY	28		Stenographer	Killenbuck, N Y	Lucas A Young	Alton	Housewife	1	John A Pogue
July 21	Rochester	William York	Alton	21		Farmer	Farmington	John York	Rochester, N Y	Housewife	1	Charles Homan
		Delia Hatch	Wolfeboro	19		At home	Tiltonboro	Albert Hatch	Wolfeboro	Farmer	1	Charles Homan
Aug 18	Alton	George L Atwood	Groton, Md	20		Tailor	Fitch, Mass	Charles H Atwood	Fitch, Mass	Housewife	1	John A Pogue
		Winifred A M Field	"	25		Teacher	Conant, Mass	Anna Leepold	Conant, Mass	Housewife	1	John A Pogue
Sept 24	"	John S Avery	Alton	24		Farmer	Barnstead	James T Field	Barnstead	Housewife	1	Ephraim W Baker
		Mabel Dickinson	"	24		Housekeeper	Alton	John Avery	Alton	Housewife	1	Ephraim W Baker

Births Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1910

Date of Birth	Name of the Child, if any	Sex	Condition	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father at Birth.	Age of Mother at Birth.
Jan 8	Edwin L. White	M	L	William A. Gough	Bertha Elkins	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Melrose, Mass	32	22
Mar 24	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
Apr 10	Marjorie M. White	F	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
May 10	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
June 12	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
July 15	William A. White	M	L	William A. White	Bertha Elkins	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Melrose, Mass	32	22
Aug 18	George L. White	M	L	George L. White	Winifred A. Field	Alton	Teacher	Conant, Mass	Conant, Mass	25	25
Sept 24	John S. Avery	M	L	John S. Avery	Mabel Dickinson	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	24	24
Oct 10	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
Nov 10	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22
Dec 10	Charles E. White	M	L	Charles H. White	Elizabeth H. White	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	32	22

Deaths Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1910

Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.	Sex.	Place of Birth.	Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Cause of Death.	Name of Physician (or other person) attending Death.
Jan 10	Joseph Brashers	61	M	Alton	Farmer	Freeman Smith	Jessie Gidden	Tuberculosis	F W McLaughlin
Feb 10	George L. White	61	M	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	General Debility	"
Mar 10	Charles E. White	61	M	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	General Debility	"
Apr 10	William A. White	61	M	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	General Debility	"
May 10	Charles E. White	61	M	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	General Debility	"
Jun 10	George L. White	61	M	Alton	Teacher	Conant, Mass	Conant, Mass	General Debility	"
Jul 10	John S. Avery	61	M	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	General Debility	"
Aug 10	Charles E. White	61	M	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	General Debility	"
Sep 10	William A. White	61	M	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	General Debility	"
Oct 10	Charles E. White	61	M	Alton	Box maker	Lyons, Mass	Lyons, Mass	General Debility	"
Nov 10	George L. White	61	M	Alton	Teacher	Conant, Mass	Conant, Mass	General Debility	"
Dec 10	John S. Avery	61	M	Alton	Farmer	Alton	Alton	General Debility	"

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE, Town Clerk

The Annual Report

of the

Town of Alton



**For the Year Ending February 15
1910**

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK AND
SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

Town of Alton

FOR THE

Year Ending Feb. 15, 1910.

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ROCHESTER, N. H.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN,

HERBERT J. JONES, OSCAR DUNCAN,
JOHN W. PROCTOR.

TOWN CLERK,
WALDO C. VARNEY.

TREASURER,
FRANK M. AYER.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
CHARLES H. DOWNING.

AUDITORS,
WILLIS P. EMERSON, LEWIS H. LAMPREY.

SUPERVISORS,
ELAM R. WRIGHT, FRED L. HILL,
HERBERT E. MORRILL.

SCHOOL BOARD,
ARTHUR D. ROLLINS, ALTA H. McDUFFEE,
WILLIS E. SANBORN.

FIRE WARDS,
GEORGE W. PLACE, ALONZO B. LANG,
CHARLES H. DOWNING.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
CHARLES H. HUTCHINS, CHARLES E. FIFIELD,
DR. FRANK W. McLAUGHLIN.

CONSTABLE,
GEORGE W. PLACE.

POLICE,
Oe VARNEY.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres, 35,605, value,		\$624,411 00
Personal estate, including polls,		181,671 00
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Total value,		\$806,082 00
Polls,	371	\$100 00
Horses,	371	73 22
Oxen,	50	55 10
Cows,	544	25 40
Neat stock,	107	15 99
Sheep,	85	3 70
Hogs,	4	10 00
Fowls,	82	45
Carriages,	18	158 33
Stock in public funds,		1,000 00
Stock in banks and other corporations,		1,700 00
Stock in trade,		56,800 00
Aqueducts,		12,000 00
Mills and machinery,		9,450 00
Money on deposit,		500 00
Buildings not designated,		1,130 00
Power boats,		13,300 00
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Total,		\$181,671 00
Total amount of taxes raised,		\$20,152 05
State tax,		\$2,120 00
County tax,		1,858 43
School tax,		8,937 50

Fireman's tax,	\$ 105 00
Library tax,	209 50
Highway tax,	3,515 20
Town tax,	3,050 00
Percentage,	356 42
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	\$20,152 05

Tax on polls \$2.50.

Amount of taxes charged to collector,	\$20,152 05
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	3,149 55
Rec'd of H. J. Jones, J. H. Dodge tax 06-07,	84 35
Bowling alley and pool table license,	68 00
Belknap county,	137 00
Savings bank tax,	1,246 51
R. R. tax,	2,097 08
Literary fund,	62 00
School fund,	586 57
County of Belknap,	116 50
C. F. Rand estate,	35 50
Amas Stock Mdge. tax '02,	6 33
Helen Dean tax '07,	16 28
Fred Cookson tax '08,	4 58
O. A. Joy tax '08,	99
Edith C. Canney tax '08,	1 17
Emma A. Sleeper tax '08,	1 17
Edgar R. Rudd tax '08,	1 36
J. C. Lyman tax '08,	1 66
Levi F. Furber tax '07,	35 03
C. C. Murray tax '02,	32 03
C. R. Brooks tax '08,	30 89
Ida E. Rand heirs tax '07,	19 31
Percy H. Flanders tax '2-3-4,	20 07
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Total,	\$27,905 98

EXPENDITURES.

Paid C. E. Tuttle, care of hand engine,	\$ 10 00
E. H. Thomas, printing reports,	49 20
“ “ ballots,	4 50
Geo. H. Dore, cutting moths,	4 80
Frank M. Ayer, school money,	500 00
R. A. Frohock, interest on note,	50 00
P. H. Wheeler, return births and deaths,	4 25
Henry K. Barnes, fire hose,	153 57
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline,	26 29
Secretary of State,	1 50
E. C. Eastman, supplies,	3 75
Pearl S. Bassett, librarian,	20 83
Electric Light & Power Co.,	10 00
F. M. Ayer, school money,	500 00
“ “	500 00
C. H. Estes, memorial appropriation,	50 00
W. S. French, library appropriations,	159 50
F. M. Ayer, school money,	500 00
Good Roads Machine Co.,	8 75
Lothrop & Pinkham,	3 30
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian,	12 50
F. M. Ayer, school money,	400 00
“ “	1,000 00
A. S. French, Palmer fund,	17 50
Electric Light and Power Co.,	10 00
Courier Pub. Co., printing,	4 75
Bergen Mfg. Co., culverts,	300 17
F. M. Ayer, school money,	500 00
Geo. W. Place, coal,	46 24
F. M. Ayer, school money,	1,000 00
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline,	39 52
John W. Proctor, plank,	55 68
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian,	12 50

Paid Thos. H. Dearborn, cutting moths,	\$ 88 35
Geo. H. Fifield, teams for fire department,	20 00
F. M. Ayer, school money,	1,000 00
The Downing Co., drain pipe,	7 68
F. M. Ayer, school money,	1,000 00
W. H. Miller, administrator Morse note,	557 93
O. Duncan, blacksmith work,	11 15
Alton Water Co., hydrants,	600 00
G. W. Place, plank,	55 11
E. R. Wright, return births and deaths,	2 00
F. M. Ayer, school money,	1,000 00
Paul E. Buckley, labor,	2 40
Courier Publishing Co., printing,	6 00
D. E. Clough, labor,	2 40
F. M. Ayer, school money,	1,000 00
C. E. Hutchins, supplies,	15 72
Dr. F. W. McLaughlin, births and deaths,	8 00
Albert Demeritt, wood,	8 00
George W. Place, posting notices,	7 00
“ care tramps,	60 00
“ wood,	11 50
F. M. Ayer, care of clock,	15 00
“ janitor,	75 00
“ janitor, extra time,	6 00
“ expense and wood,	6 50
Alton Water Co., hydrants,	180 00
“ water for hall,	19 00
“ supplies,	27 00
H. J. Jones, insurance school house,	100 00
“ insurance hall,	100 00
Owners of shoe factory,	375 00
Oe Varney, care tramps,	23 25
S. E. Colbath & Co., wood,	1 50
H. J. Jones, administrator, note,	226 14
Hose Co. No. 2, services,	45 00

Paid W. P. Emerson, use of pung,	\$ 2 00
E. W. Francis, care of tramps,	7 75
F. M. Ayer, balance school money,	983 29
Jones & Lamprey, supplies,	1 24
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline,	26 51
E. H. Rollins, wood,	12 00
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian,	12 50
C. E. Fifield, tree warden,	5 00
Hose Co. No. 1, services,	75 00
Farmington News, printing,	1 00
C. W. Rollins, sheep damage,	45 00
A. S. French, note,	1,516 69
Electric Light Co.,	10 00
Fred Brown, care hand tub,	4 00
J. Jones & Son, merchandise,	37 95
Oe Varney, collecting dog licenses,	20 00
Ira W. Mitchell, care cemetery lots,	7 00
W. C. Varney, court expense,	7 17
W. C. Varney, for dog licenses,	2 75
H. J. Jones, care of order book,	5 00
" renting hall,	3 00
" entering inventory,	20 00
John C. Young, dog damage,	8 00
E. K. Jenkins, watering tub '09,	3 00
Andrew Varney heirs, note,	447 93
D. H. Morrison, watering tub '09,	3 00
Wm. Hayes heirs, note,	322 14
John N. Avery, note,	224 46
Mindwell Whitehouse, note,	187 83
M. A. Wadleigh, note,	927 00
A. D. Varney, damage,	10 00
C. H. Downing, collecting back taxes,	15 00
C. S. Chamberlain, cutting moths,	9 20
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	\$17,584 14

PAUPERS.

Paid W. P. Emerson aid to Mattie Hayes, county,	\$68 00
Dr. P. H. Greeley, aid to Theron W. Ham, town,	95 50
Dr. C. C. Rogers, for examination of Theron W. Ham,	5 00
C. H. Berry, transportation of Theron W. Ham,	20 11
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	\$188 61

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid the J. H. Downing Co., aid to C. H. Jones, county,	\$91 00
W. P. Emerson, aid to Enoch Tibbetts, county,	72 00
E. G. Ellis, aid to Sarah Thompson, county,	22 50
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Total,	\$185 50

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid W. H. Berry, selectman,	\$ 6 00
C. E. Hutchins, services board of health,	11 50
Dr. F. W. McLaughlin, “	5 00
Geo. W. Place, constable,	18 50
F. M. Ayer, selectman,	7 00
“ board of health,	5 00
“ treasurer,	50 00
Oe Varney, police officer,	11 50
“ ballot inspector,	4 00
C. E. Fifield, health officer,	11 25
“ protection officer,	15 00
“ truant officer,	3 00
A. S. French, moderator, '08-'09,	6 00
Geo. W. Place, fire ward,	5 00

Paid W. C. Varney, town clerk,	\$ 62 55
O. Duncan, selectman,	81 00
J. W. Proctor, "	68 00
H. J. Jones, "	88 70
" overseer poor,	15 00
P. S. Jones, town clerk, 1908,	5 65
C. H. Downing, collector,	250 00
" fire ward,	5 00
A. B. Lang, "	5 00
W. P. Emerson, auditor,	2 00
L. H. Lamprey, "	2 00
J. W. Proctor, supervisor,	7 00
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	\$750 65

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1908 AND 1909.

C. G. Drew,	\$4 00
I. B. Dilman,	8 60
Harry Flanders,	9 30
Joseph Henry,	4 17
John Weeks,	4 02
Chas. Hayes,	45
Ira B. Bennett,	2 50
A. H. Hayes,	2 50
Julian Emerson,	6 15
George Horne,	1 20
C. E. Nutter,	1 05
E. O. Prescott,	4 20
S. B. Huckins,	10 00
C. I. Chamberlain,	10 65
John Hanson,	1 65
A. J. Gilman,	7 00
Oscar E. Davis,	7 65
Forrest H. Rollins,	6 40
Benjamin Perkins,	1 50

H. S. Emerson,	\$ 1 50
C. E. Fifield,	9 60
George H. Fifield,	46 88
C. H. Downing,	9 39
Willis H. Reynolds,	5 63
The Downing Co.,	4 09
H. L. M. Glidden,	1 50
H. P. Horne,	11 65
G. W. Place,	4 80
Ai T. Gilman,	10 20
Lewis E. Avery,	7 25
S. H. Flanders,	5 15
O. D. Glidden,	1 95
John E. Varney,	4 15
Fred S. Gilman,	1 85
C. H. Clough,	3 60
Fred I. Woodman,	4 50
John P. Leavitt,	3 00
Abbie M. Dore,	7 25
Seldon H. Glidden,	5 35
Calvin S. Glidden,	17 35
L. A. Young,	8 90
D. H. Morrison,	90
Harry Morrison,	6 05
G. W. Morrison,	3 60
Seth H. Kimball,	60
L. A. Proctor,	8 00
E. K. Jenkins,	5 55
E. P. Seward,	2 55
E. F. Goodwin,	45
C. E. Fifield,	5 30
C. A. Barr,	50
Jacob Peterson,	4 55
S. E. Roberts,	6 73
Charles Roberts,	98

George Shagnon,	\$ 3 00
Stephen Barnes,	5 60
Geo. Chamberlain,	3 00
S. D. Hurd,	75
H. E. Hayes,	5 75
N. J. Peterson,	4 50
Allie Barnes,	2 00
Mrs. Allen Varney,	3 45
J. Jones & Son,	4 50
P. H. Walker,	2 98
F. E. Glidden,	9 10
G. W. Lamper,	9 47
C. H. W. Jones,	8 53
A. D. Morse,	9 05
D. & O. Lamper,	10 05
Moses Ellis,	2 10
Thomas Alden,	1 65
Smith A. Willard,	4 50
Edward S. Walker,	3 15
Wm. B. Selon,	3 15
Stephen Shagnon,	4 80
Allison E. Rines,	4 95
R. B. Hurd & Son,	3 37
E. G. Rollins,	3 00
Nelson Rines,	2 40
John N. Avery,	3 00
Charles Tibbetts,	2 85
H. A. Dunnells,	7 60
Harrison B. Ricker,	7 50
Frank H. Emerson,	22
Levi G. Paige,	1 65
C. H. Flanders,	3 09
M. L. Flanders,	2 85
S. E. Rollins,	5 85
Calvin Rollins,	3 90

Seth E. Grant,	\$ 3 90
John C. Paige,	1 13
C. E. Hodgdon,	4 50
Albert Varney,	8 47
Velzora A. Dealand,	6 25
George W. Rollins,	10 75
Total,	<u>\$502 60</u>

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	\$ 3,149 55
Total receipts during the year,	25,310 60
Total,	<u>\$28,460 15</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total disbursements during the year,	\$26,508 85
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910,	1,951 30
Total,	<u>\$28,460 15</u>

DEBT.

Liabilities Feb. 15, 1909,	\$4,865 82
Assets Feb. 15, 1909,	3,915 45
Debt of town Feb. 15, 1909,	<u>\$950 37</u>

Assets Feb. 15, 1910,	\$2,068 59
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1910,	914 64
Excess of assets over liabilities,	<u>\$1,153 95</u>

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	\$ 3,149 55
Taxes received from collector,	20,152 05
Railroad tax,	2,097 08
Savings bank tax,	1,246 51
Literary fund,	62 00
Proportion of school fund,	586 57
Belknap county, for support of paupers,	253 50
Dog license,	324 60
Rent of opera house,	158 00
Miscellaneous items,	430 29
Total,	<hr/> \$28,460 15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Town paupers,	120 61
County paupers,	68 00
Town officers,	750 65
Highway, summer work,	2,994 74
Highway, winter work,	502 60
Damage by dogs,	53 00
State tax,	2,120 00
County tax,	1,858 43
Fireman tax,	105 00
Memorial appropriation,	50 00
Town notes and interest,	4,460 12
Support of schools,	9,883 29
Abatements 1909 taxes,	117 29
Dependent soldiers and families,	185 50
Miscellaneous,	3,239 62
Total	<hr/> \$26,508 85
Excess of receipts over disbursements,	1,951 30
Total,	<hr/> \$28,460 15

ASSETS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910,	\$1,951 30
Due from 1909 taxes bought by town,	117 29
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	\$2,068 59

LIABILITIES.

School, literary fund,	\$ 62 00
“ balance dog money,	251 60
Unexpended balance of permanent improvement fund,	601 04
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	\$914 64
Net assets,	\$1,153 95

DOG LICENSES.

Cash received for dog licenses,	\$324 60
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PAYMENTS.

Damage by dogs,	\$ 53 00
Expense collecting,	20 00
Balance due schools,	251 60
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Total,	\$324 60

TRUST FUNDS.

Carrie B. Nute, cemetery fund,	\$150 00
Eveline L. Palmer, library fund,	500 00
Sarah J. I. Evans, cemetery fund,	100 00
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Total,	\$750 00

The foregoing report contained a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year.

We are very glad to say that there are no outstanding notes against the town, all notes having been paid. The town is entirely out of debt with a net balance of cash on hand of \$1,153.95.

This is the first year the town has been out of debt for twenty-three years.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT J. JONES,
OSCAR DUNCAN,
JOHN W. PROCTOR,

Selectmen of Alton.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
LEWIS H. LAMPREY,

Auditors.

ALTON, N. H., Feb. 15, 1910.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1909			
March		Balance cash in treasury,	\$3,149 55
		Received of H. J. Jones, selectman,	110 84
July	1	" W. C. Varney, dog licenses,	168 00
	10	" C. H. Downing, collector,	500 00
Aug.	1	" State License Commission,	5 88
	14	" C. H. Downing, collector,	275 00
	19	" H. J. Jones, hall rent,	77 00
		" " Belknap county,	137 00
		" " license fees,	68 00
	21	" C. H. Downing, collector,	300 00
	28	" " "	300 00
Sept.	7	" " "	300 00
	17	" " "	340 00
	25	" " "	500 00
Oct.	9	" " "	700 00
	23	" " "	700 00
	30	" " "	150 00
		" Steve Demetris, license,	8 00
Nov.	13	" C. H. Downing, collector,	700 00
	15	" " "	150 00
	23	" " "	250 00
	27	" " "	725 00
Dec.	1	" " "	500 00
	2	" " "	575 00
	3	" " "	1,500 00
	6	" " "	250 00
	7	" " "	150 00
	11	" " "	350 00
	17	" " "	1,000 00
	21	" " "	300 00
	31	" " "	1,000 00

1910.

Jan.	1	Received of C. H. Downing, collector,	\$ 650 00
	19	" H. J. Jones, railroad tax,	2,097 08
		" " savings bank	
		tax,	1,246 51
		" " literary fund,	62 00
		" " school fund,	586 57
		" " county,	116 50
		" " hall rent,	39 50
	20	" C. H. Downing, collector,	1,000 00
	21	" " "	1,000 00
	28	" H. J. Jones, selectman,	47 50
Feb.	10	" C. H. Downing, collector,	1,500 00
	14	" H. J. Jones, selectman,	227 21
	15	" W. C. Varney, dog license,	156 60
		" C. H. Downing, collector,	663 72

Cash received, \$24,632 46

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1909

Mar.	19	Paid Charles E. Tuttle,	\$ 10 00
	27	William H. Berry,	6 00
	30	E. H. Thomas,	53 70
Apr.	9	George A. Dore,	4 80
		Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	500 00
	12	R. A. Frohock,	50 00
	13	P. H. Wheeler,	4 25
	14	Henry K. Barnes,	153 57
	15	Gilbert Barker Mfg. Co.,	26 29
		Edward H. Pearson,	1 50
	30	Edson C. Eastman,	3 75
May	1	Pearl S. Gilman,	20 83
	10	Alton Electric Light & Power Co.,	10 00
		Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	500 00
	27	The Downing Co.,	32 00
	29	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	500 00

May	29	Paid O. Duncan,	\$ 60 00
	31	C. H. Estes,	50 00
June	8	A. S. French,	159 50
	12	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	500 00
Aug.	2	Lothrops, Pinkham Co.	3 30
		Good Roads Machinery Co.,	8 75
	14	W. P. Emerson,	83 00
		The Downing Co.,	22 00
	24	Annie E. Wheeler,	12 50
	25	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	400 00
Sept.	4	" "	1,000 00
	10	A. S. French,	17 50
	27	Alton Electric Light and Power Co.,	10 00
Oct.	8	Courier Publishing Co.,	4 75
	9	Berger Mfg. Co.,	300 17
		Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	500 00
	16	G. W. Place,	46 24
Nov.	10	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	1,000 00
		Gilbert Barker Mfg. Co.,	39 52
		John W. Proctor,	55 68
Nov.	17	E. G. Ellis,	9 00
	20	Annie E. Wheeler,	12 50
	22	Thos. H. Dearborn, agent,	88 35
	24	George H. Fifield,	20 00
	29	J. H. Downing Co.,	30 00
Dec.	1	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	1,000 00
	3	The Downing Co.,	7 68
July	15	S. B. Cole, County tax, per receipt,	929 22
Dec.	6	" "	929 21
	9	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	1,000 00
	16	W. H. Miller, administrator,	557 93
	18	O. Duncan,	11 15
	21	E. G. Ellis,	7 50
	20	P. H. Greeley,	95 50
	20	C. C. Rogers,	5 00

Dec.	20	Paid C. H. Berry,	\$ 20 11
	21	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.,	600 00
	29	Geo. W. Place,	55 11
1910			
Jan.	5	Dr. E. R. Wright,	2 00
	10	Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	1,000 00
	15	E. G. Ellis,	6 00
	17	The J. H. Downing Co.,	7 00
		W. P. Emerson,	57 00
	18	Paul E. Buckley,	2 40
	19	State tax, per receipt,	2,120 00
	27	Courier Publishing Co.,	6 00
	28	D. E. Clough,	2 40
		Frank M. Ayer, treasurer,	1,000 00
Feb.	3	C. E. Hutchins,	27 22
		Dr. F. W. McLaughlin,	13 00
	10	Albert Demerritt,	8 00
	12	George W. Place,	97 00
		F. M. Ayer,	164 50
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.,	226 00
		H. J. Jones,	200 00
		Owners of shoe factory,	375 00
		Oe Varney,	38 75
		C. I. Chamberlain,	9 20
		S. E. Colbath & Co.,	1 50
	14	H. J. Jones,	226 14
		W. P. Emerson,	47 00
		E. W. Francis,	7 75
		F. M. Ayer, treasurer,	983 29
		Jones & Lamprey,	1 24
		Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co.,	26 51
		E. H. Rollins,	12 00
		Annie E. Wheeler,	12 50
		John W. Proctor,	7 00
	15	Charles E. Fifield,	34 25

Feb. 15	Paid Meville Adams,	\$ 75 00
	Farmington News,	1 00
	C. W. Rollins,	45 00
	A. S. French,	1,516 69
	A. S. French,	6 00
	Alton Electric Light & Power Co.,	10 00
	G. W. Place,	5 00
	Fred A. Brown,	4 00
	J. Jones & Son,	37 95
	Oe Varney,	20 00
	Ira W. Mitchell,	7 00
	W. C. Varney,	72 47
	O. Duncan,	17 83
	John W. Proctor,	68 00
	N. J. Jones,	128 70
	John C. Young,	8 00
	F. K. Jenkins,	3 00
	Andrew Varney heirs,	447 93
	D. H. Morrison,	3 00
	William Hayes heirs,	322 14
	John N. Avery,	224 46
	Mindwell Whitehouse,	187 83
	M. A. Wadleigh,	927 00
	P. S. Jones,	5 65
	A. D. Varney,	10 00
	C. H. Downing,	270 00
	A. B. Lang,	5 00
	L. H. Lamprey,	2 00
	W. P. Emerson,	2 00
	Total,	<hr/> \$22,681 16
	Balance in treasury,	1,951 30
		<hr/> \$24,632 46

FRANK M. AYER, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P. EMERSON,
LEWIS H. LAMPREY,

Auditors.

ALTON, N. H., February 15, 1910.

SCHOOL REPORT.

In conformity to statute requirements, the school board herewith submits the following as their twenty-third annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton:

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of district treasurer,	\$ 251 96
Raised by tax for support of schools,	3,737 50
“ repairs,	50 00
“ high school,	300 00
“ grade schools,	350 00
“ enlargement of H. S. building,	4,500 00
Literary fund,	125 37
Dog money,	233 85
State appropriation,	586 57
Tuition of Floyd Coburn,	6 00
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	\$10,141 25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for teachers' salaries,	\$2,854 46
“ supplies,	327 57
“ janitor,	201 86
“ fuel and fitting same,	370 94
“ superintendent,	600 00
“ repairs,	77 56
“ tuition to other towns,	56 50
“ transportation,	567 95
“ miscellaneous,	229 58
“ enlargement of high school building,	4,499 80
“ checklist,	32 00
“ officers,	100 00
Balance in hands of district treasurer,	223 03
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	\$10,141 25

The school board, acting as building committee, submit the following report of the expenditure of money raised at the last annual school meeting for the enlargement of the high school building:

Cash received from town treasurer,	\$4,500 00
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CASH PAID OUT.

May	26	Arthur D. Rollins, lumber,	\$150 00
June	22	W. E. Sanborn, labor,	50 00
Aug.	27	T. R. Rollins, lathing,	28 76
		Wallace Building Co., cement foundation,	190 00
Sept.	8	Frank W. McLaughlin, labor,	38 25
		Raymond C. Duncan, labor,	44 78
	13	Albert E. Clough, labor,	23 25
	14	David E. Clough, labor,	30 00
	20	Arthur D. Rollins, lumber,	50 00
Oct.	2	H. S. Emerson & Son, painting,	205 00
	4	Frank I. Allen, labor,	2 50
	5	Walter N. Morrison, heating plant,	475 00
	9	Rochester Lumber Co., doors and inside finish,	200 00
		W. E. Sanborn, hauling lumber,	36 50
	11	George S. Chamberlain, labor,	26 00
	23	Edwin J. York, floor boards,	267 91
		The Downing Co., shingles,	104 13
		W. N. Morrison, iron posts,	29 00
		Willis Emerson, zinc,	11 20
		Joseph Mooney, lumber,	31 36
		George W. Place, lumber,	17 76
		W. E. Sanborn, freight,	18 69

Nov.	15	W. N. Morrison, heating plant,	\$471 00
	17	Arthur D. Rollins, lumber,	351 97
	23	W. E. Sanborn, labor,	148 12
		Charles Rollins, labor,	12 50
		Lord and Parsons, sheathing,	58 30
		C. N. Crowell, plastering,	237 00
		Rochester Lumber Co., windows, frames, etc.	189 51
Dec.	1	Frank D. Morse, labor,	160 84
		Chas. H. McDuffee, labor,	184 82
Jan.	8	J. H. Downing Co., clapboards, laths, etc.,	146 64
	12	H. J. Jones, administrator of H. H. Bennett estate,	195 00
Jan.	31	G. R. Prescott, moulding, etc.,	10 10
Feb.	3	David E. Clough, labor,	4 48
Sept.	15	Philip Drew, labor,	27 50
Feb.	3	Paul E. Buckley, tinning roof,	32 72
	7	George W. Place, lumber,	50 12
		Brockway-Smith Co., porch columns,	17 00
	12	Charles H. McDuffee, labor,	31 93
		F. D. Morse, labor,	27 00
		W. E. Sanborn, labor,	37 50
		J. Jones & Son, hardware,	64 66
		Oscar Duncan, labor, etc.,	11 00
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			\$4,499 80

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

CASH RECEIVED.

1909			
March	20	Balance in treasury,	\$ 251 96
April	9	Received of Town Treasurer,	500 00
May	10	" "	500 00
	29	" "	500 00
June	12	" "	500 00
Aug.	25	" "	400 00
Sept.	4	" "	1,000 00
Oct.	9	" "	500 00
	26	" Floyd Coburn, tuition money,	6 00
Nov.	10	" town treasurer,	1,000 00
Dec.	1	" "	1,000 00
	9	" "	1,000 00
1910.			
Jan.	10	" "	1,000 00
	28	" "	1,000 00
Feb.	14	" "	983 29
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			\$10,141 25

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER.

1909			
Mar.	20	Paid Fannie G. de Rochemont,	\$ 50 00
		Grace E. Lord,	50 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	45 00
		Percy E. Gleason,	90 25
		B. L. Blaisdell,	27 80

Mar.	29	Paid Margaret H. Manning,	\$ 50 00
Apr.	3	Jay Gilman,	7 15
		H. L. Moore,	120 00
	8	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	20 00
	10	Martha Savage,	30 00
	20	Margaret H. Manning,	40 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	20 00
		Grace E. Lord,	40 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	36 00
	21	Percy E. Gleason,	72 20
	23	Elsie M. Glidden,	32 00
	24	Grace H. Rollins,	28 00
		Elisabeth Hardy,	28 00
	26	W. Allen Varney,	20 00
		Eula M. Presby,	28 00
	30	B. L. Blaisdell,	25 50
May	5	Edgar P. Seward,	20 00
May	7	Leila F. Hussey,	9 00
	19	H. L. Moore,	120 00
	20	Grace E. Lord,	40 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	27 00
	21	Margaret H. Manning,	40 00
		Elisabeth M. Hardy,	28 00
		Eula M. Presby,	28 00
		W. Allen Varney,	20 00
	22	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	40 00
	29	Percy E. Gleason,	20 00
	26	Edgar P. Seward,	10 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	9 00
		Arthur D. Rollins,	150 00
		B. L. Blaisdell,	21 50
	28	Margaret H. Manning,	10 00
	29	Grace H. Rollins,	28 00
June	11	Edwin M. Stiles,	17 25
		"	11 00

June	12	Paid Grace E. Lord,	\$ 30 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	18 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	30 00
		Elisabeth M. Hardy,	21 00
		Grace H. Rollins,	21 00
		Eula M. Presby,	21 00
		W. Allen Varney,	15 00
		B. L. Blaisdell,	11 25
	15	Percy E. Gleason,	106 50
		"	1 88
	16	H. L. Moore,	60 00
		"	11 20
	18	American Book Co.,	25 40
		Edward E. Babb,	33 44
		J. L. Hammett & Co.,	48 07
		Ginn & Co.,	10 50
		Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	7 01
		Educational Pub. Co.,	65
		D. C. Heath & Co.,	8 75
		Alta H. McDuffee,	25 00
		Dover Business College,	2 50
	19	Elsie M. Glidden,	56 00
	22	Al T. Gilman,	105 00
		Willie E. Sanborn,	50 00
	19	Edgar P. Seward,	15 00
Aug.	25	H. E. Morrell,	57
	27	T. R. Rollins,	28 76
		W. E. Sanborn,	114 76
		Wallace Building Co.,	190 00
		Al T. Gilman,	60 00
Sept.	8	Frank McLaughlin,	38 25
		Raymond C. Duncan,	44 78
	13	Albert D. Clough,	23 25
		Arthur D. Rollins,	10 00
	14	David E. Clough,	30 00

Sept.	15	Paid Philip Drew,	\$ 27 50
	20	Arthur D. Rollins,	50 00
		Alta H. McDuffee,	7 15
	25	Arthur D. Rollins,	19 50
	27	C. H. W. Jones,	80
		Clarence Rollins,	5 00
Oct.	1	Elsie M. Glidden,	32 00
	2	Eula M. Presby,	30 00
		W. Allen Varney,	20 00
		B. L. Blaisdell,	18 06
		Clara B. Davis,	28 00
		H. S. Emerson & Son,	205 00
	4	Frank I. Allen,	2 50
		A. E. Carter,	22 40
	5	Walter N. Morrison,	475 00
	8	Edgar P. Seward,	12 00
	9	Rochester Lumber Co.,	200 00
		W. E. Sanborn,	36 50
	11	George Chamberlin,	26 00
	19	Charles Pease,	4 00
	21	H. L. Moore,	120 00
		Leila F. Hussey,	36 00
		Grace E. Lord,	40 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	42 50
		Alice J. Hobbs,	36 00
	23	Edwin J. York,	267 91
		The Downing Co.,	104 13
		Walter N. Morrison,	29 00
		W. P. Emerson,	11 20
		Joseph A. Mooney,	31 36
		George W. Place,	17 76
	23	W. E. Sanborn,	18 69
		W. E. Sanborn,	5 51
	25	Herbert S. Emerson & Son,	20 00
		J. L. Rollins,	4 00

Oct.	29	Paid Edgar P. Seward,	\$ 18 00
		B. L. Blaisdell,	20 00
		Eula M. Presby,	30 00
		W. Allen Varney,	20 00
Nov.	6	Clara B. Davis,	28 00
	9	Elsie M. Glidden,	40 00
	11	Fannie G. de Rochemont,	32 50
	13	D. W. MacLean,	65 00
	16	Mrs. C. H. Jones,	3 00
		Walter H. Morrison,	471 00
	17	Arthur D. Rollins,	351 97
	20	W. Allen Varney,	15 00
		Eula M. Presby,	24 50
		Leila F. Hussey,	36 00
		Grace E. Lord,	40 00
		Alice J. Hobbs,	36 00
	23	Edgar P. Seward,	24 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	10 00
		W. E. Sanborn,	12 25
		W. E. Sanborn,	148 12
		Charles Rollins,	12 50
		Lord & Parsons,	58 30
		The Downing Co.,	7 67
		C. N. Crowell,	240 19
		Percy L. Kimball Co.,	6 30
		Rochester Lumber Co.,	189 51
		B. L. Blaisdell,	22 00
Dec.	1	Frank D. Morse,	160 84
		Charles H. McDuffee,	184 82
		L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.,	7 76
		A. E. Carter,	82
		Allyn & Bacon,	22 50
	2	Farmington News,	3 00
		Silver, Burdett & Co.,	34 89
		Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	5 74

Dec.	2	Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.,	\$ 9 54
		Lakeside Press,	4 50
		Parker P. Simmons,	3 18
		J. L. Hammett & Co.,	76 90
		D. C. Heath & Co.,	9 04
		Leila F. Hussey,	18 00
		A. D. Lougee,	1 00
	3	Edwin O. Prescott,	15 00
		A. E. Barnes,	7 32
		S. E. Colbath,	1 50
	4	D. W. MacLean,	65 00
		Clara B. Davis,	28 00
	5	Clarence Rollins,	5 00
	15	Alta H. McDuffee,	3 30
	17	Grace E. Lord,	50 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	52 50
		Leila F. Hussey,	27 00
		Alice J. Hobbs,	36 00
		Elsie M. Glidden,	40 00
		Annie E. Wheeler,	25 51
	19	A. B. Varney,	5 00
	20	Edgar P. Seward,	24 00
	21	H. L. Moore,	120 00
	22	D. W. MacLean,	65 00
	23	B. L. Blaisdell,	20 00
		W. Allen Varney,	20 00
		Eula M. Presby,	30 00
Jan.	2	Jay Gilman,	7 45
		Arthur D. Rollins,	19 50
	8	J. H. Downing Co.,	146 64
	12	W. D. Huse & Sons,	5 00
		H. H. Bennett,	195 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	32 50
		Leila F. Hussey,	27 00
		Grace E. Lord,	30 00

Jan.	12	Paid Alice J. Hobbs,	\$ 36 00
	14	D. W. MacLean,	65 00
	17	W. E. Sanborn,	18 61
	22	Elsie M. Glidden,	40 00
		Eula M. Presby,	30 00
		W. Allen Varney,	20 00
		Clara B. Davis,	49 00
	25	Edgar P. Seward,	24 00
	26	Grace E. Lord,	20 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	22 50
	27	Leila F. Hussey,	18 00
		B. L. Blaisdell,	25 75
	31	G. R. Prescott,	10 10
Feb.	3	David E. Clough,	9 91
	7	Paul E. Buckley,	32 72
		F. H. Crocker,	2 34
		G. W. Place,	50 12
		Brockway Smith Corp.,	17 00
		Gilford School district,	14 50
		D. W. MacLean,	100 00
	9	Farmington News,	1 25
		Leila F. Hussey,	18 00
		H. L. Moore,	60 00
		Grace E. Lord,	20 00
		Fannie G. de Rochemont,	20 00
		Alice J. Hobbs,	36 00
	12	Ai T. Gilman,	95 00
		Gilmanton school district,	42 00
		F. W. Neal,	6 30
		Charles H. McDuffee,	31 93
		Oscar Duncan,	1 60
		"	11 00
		F. D. Morse,	27 00
		J. Jones & Son,	14 16
		W. E. Sanborn,	5 48

Feb. 12	Paid W. E. Sanborn,	\$ 37 50
	“	7 50
	“	1 77
	George W. Place,	87 77
	Alta H. McDuffee,	3 20
	W. E. Sanborn,	130 75
	J. Jones & Son,	64 66
	B. L. Blaisdell,	10 00
	Arthur D. Rollins,	20 00
14	Alta H. McDuffee,	35 00
	W. E. Sanborn,	20 00
	Arthur D. Rollins,	8 00
	Alta H. McDuffee,	10 00
	Albert J. Jones,	10 00
	Meville Adams,	2 00
	Ethel Morrell,	2 00
	Herbert J. Jones,	30 00
	Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.,	15 00
	“ “	6 60
	F. M. Ayer,	25 00
	Total,	<u>\$9,918 22</u>
	Balance in treasury,	223 03
	Total,	<u>\$10,141 25</u>

FRANK M. AYER, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouchèd and correctly cast.

W. P. EMERSON,

L. H. LAMPREY,

Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERIN- TENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board and Citizens of Alton:

I herewith submit to you my third annual report as superintendent of your public schools.

MEMBERSHIP.

Our total average membership for the school year ending July, 1909, was 175, an increase of three percent. over that of the preceding year. Our tardiness decreased twelve percent. for the same time. A comparison of the year's records is given in Appendix 5.

Following is the average membership at the four buildings for the fall term 1909, with increase or decrease for the year. The village membership includes the school formerly in the block, also pupils transported from Clough district and West Alton.

		INCREASE	DECREASE
Village,	122.48	28%	
Bay,	16.09	2.5%	
Mountain,	14.14		9.5%
McDuffee,	9.00		10%

ATTENDANCE.

A steady improvement in attendance has been made, due in part no doubt to favorable weather, but mainly to more wholesome school conditions, persistent effort of teachers, and a greater interest among the pupils. Few absences have been reported not due to illness or other excusable

causes. Following is a comparison of attendance records for the fall terms 1907, 1908 and 1909:

	1907	1908	1909
High,	91.9%	96.2%	97.6%
Grammar,	90.8	93.2	96.4
Intermediate,	93.9	94.4	98.0
Primary,	92.4	92.6	93.3
Mountain,	87.2	75.3	84.9
McDuffee,	89.4	90.6	94.1
Bay.		85.6	94.6

Our tardiness is still abnormal. Cases repeatedly occur with no sufficient reason. Carelessness of parent or pupil is usually responsible. But we are improving. 427 cases were reported for the fall term 1908; 111 cases for the corresponding term in 1909.

It is vitally important that a pupil be "on time." To be late means a loss. The day's work is impaired, a pernicious habit formed and personal responsibility weakened. Few cases of tardiness are really excusable. I would urge upon parents the importance of this matter of punctuality. It is necessary to good school work and most essential in the character building of their children.

CONSOLIDATION.

The schools at Clough district and West Alton have been closed, the former in May, the latter at the end of the spring term in June. Both had become reduced to such proportions that it seemed unwise to continue them longer. Each would have enrolled but three pupils had they been opened in September.

The pupils are now transported to the village, and in each case after proper time for adjustment have entered heartily into the work of the grades previously followed. The better facilities of the graded school are attractive, the

longer terms, the better graded course of study, the advantage of music, and the broader training that comes from the more varied activities. Parents and pupils accustomed to the small district school soon observe the difference and rarely favor a return.

STANDARD OF PROMOTION.

Heretofore pupils have been promoted from grade to grade on an average rank of 60 percent. Work from 60 percent. to 70 percent. has been designated P, poor but acceptable. At the beginning of the present school year this passing mark was raised to 70 percent. and work below considered unsatisfactory. The other marks F (70-79) fair, G (80-89) good, and E (90-100) excellent remains as before.

60 percent. work is without question poor work. In the business world poor work is unsatisfactory and not accepted. It should be so in school. Much of evil in our American life has arisen from our carelessness of acceptable standards. 60 percent. truth, 60 percent. morals, even food 60 percent. pure, have passed and been accepted. And it may be true that the public schools have been partially responsible for an over production of 60 percent. youth. I believe our standard of work required has been too low. It should be raised, at least to 70 percent.

I would call attention here to the additional mark on monthly report cards under the head of standing in class. This is an attempt to indicate to the parent how closely the pupil is approaching the general requirements of his grade.

MUSIC.

At the opening of the fall term regular instruction in music was introduced in the village schools under the direction of a special teacher. Two lessons a week are now conducted in each room. Results thus far have been most

gratifying and fully justify the expense involved. The uplifting influence of music upon individual and school can hardly be estimated. It arouses and stimulates powers often never reached otherwise in the training of many a child. Power is developed and appreciated for higher things. And it elevates the school's moral tone, introducing an emotional element that lifts ideals and modifies the coarser side of life. It makes discipline easier.

THE VILLAGE BUILDING.

As a result of the appropriation of \$4,500 the village building has been extensively enlarged and improved. Two two-story wings have been added and the entire building equipped for steam heat. Each wing contains two rooms. The old front room on the first floor has been converted into a hall from which lead the three elementary school rooms. The high room and rear room beneath remains in form as before.. The building now contains six pleasant rooms, well lighted and well heated. One room on the second floor is at present unused, but will furnish ample accommodations for future growth in attendance or for other purposes as occasion arises.

The school board acting as building committee deserve the highest commendation. Upon them fell the responsibility of plan and expenditure, and it is difficult to see how the sum placed at their disposal could have been more wisely used. It is certainly worthy of mention that the appropriation was not exceeded. The disinterested efforts of the committee and the results obtained in the present structure will be remembered by Alton's people long after critical differences of opinion have been forgotten.

Early in September just as the building was nearing completion a temporary delay occurred and a shadow fell over the work at the untimely death of Mr. Bennett, the building contractor. He was an excellent workman and

his interest in the building was more than the ordinary interest. It took the form of a deep personal pride. His removal was a loss and keenly felt. His plans, however, were well known to his men and faithfully followed to the end. The assistance of those who lent their services and assumed added responsibility at this time in completing work unfinished displayed a loyalty most commendable.

Alton now has a good school building. It is yet incomplete, changes and improvements are still needed, but what has been done has been done well.

STATE AID.

By act of the legislature of 1909 an annual appropriation of \$80,000 was raised to aid in the improvement of schools among the smaller towns of the state. No town benefits under the provisions of this act whose population is over 3500; whose equalized valuation is over \$7000 per pupil of average attendance; which maintains an average of less than thirty weeks of school per year; and whose school tax rate is less than \$4.50 on \$1000. The last two clauses, however, are not effective until July, 1911.

Each eligible town receives (1) for every twenty-five pupils of average attendance from \$.75 to \$1.75 per week, according to its valuation per pupil; (2) \$2.00 per week for every teacher in service who holds a permanent state teacher's certificate or who is a graduate of an approved normal school. Upon the records of the school year ending July, 1909, Alton is eligible to benefit, with a population of 1500 and a valuation of \$5421 per pupil. She has received, accordingly, under (1) \$146.57, under (2) \$140, a total of \$286.57.

The intent of the law is to supplement not displace usual appropriations; to encourage and assist the maintenance of longer terms, more regular attendance, better schools. Each additional week of school maintained increases the

amount received. The amount is further governed by the pupils' daily attendance. In other words every day a pupil is present tends to increase, every day he is absent tends to decrease the amount of assistance from the state. With the aid thus received the services of efficient teachers may be retained for a longer period, and better qualified teachers engaged as vacancies occur. Other needed improvements are also made possible. Alton has been enabled thereby to increase the salaries of her teachers and to introduce regular instruction in music.

REPAIRS.

The sanitary arrangements at the village building need immediate attention. Those in use are inadequate and unhealthy in the extreme. Twenty-eight per cent more children are enrolled in the building than last year. Proper flush closets should be installed at once.

The basement should be thoroughly cleaned and, if possible, cemented. A fair sized play room could be provided for the smaller children on stormy days, also a lunch table and benches for those who carry their dinners. From thirty to forty children eat their dinner in the building each day.

Other minor repairs are needed but the above seem to me the most urgent at present.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The high school this year is small. This is for two reasons. There was no ninth grade to promote from the grammar room, consequently only five pupils entered in September. And there is no senior class. These conditions naturally reduce the membership at least forty percent. No class will be graduated in June.

The work and character of the school is improving. The credit plan, outlined in my last report, together with an

increased promotion standard, are stimulating higher ideals and greater effort.

Additional apparatus for use in physics and biology have been procured, also reference works in ancient history. I would recommend that some apparatus be purchased each year as a permanent policy. Next year additional chemical equipment will be needed, also further reference works in United States history.

Students contemplating college or technical school on graduation should make their decision to this effect early in their high school course. This is exceedingly important. A year of preparation may be saved. The college and technical school entrance requirements are high. It usually requires the conscientious effort of teachers and faithful work of student combined for four years to ensure efficient preparation. An early decision admits of the proper selection of studies and more consistent work because of the special purpose in view. College preparation is rarely possible in four years to the one who fails to make his decision the first year of his course. For him an extra year or post graduate work is necessary. Our high school can prepare for college in four years, but only on the condition that preparatory work is begun the first year of the course and continued faithfully. One student graduated last June, having completed his course in three years, and entered Dartmouth in September on examination. This, however, is exceptional.

IN GENERAL.

A teachers' library has been started and placed in the village building. Eighteen volumes have been secured. I would recommend that a small sum be used for this purpose each year.

Teachers at the village took their visiting day in November. Schools in Ashland, Dover, Portsmouth and

Rochester were selected. District teachers visited our own village schools.

On the evening of June 4 an entertainment was given in the hall by the village schools. The proceeds have been expended for school room decoration.

According to law the board must report to the selectmen the amount of money needed for books and supplies also for flags and appurtenances for the ensuing year.

No appropriation in school meeting is necessary. I would recommend that \$300.00 be raised for books and supplies and \$10.00 for flags and appurtances.

Further recommendations in detail have been submitted to the board.

The usual appendices follow.

In conclusion I would express to all my appreciation for kindly support.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. MOORE,

Superintendent.

ALTON, N. H., February 15, 1910.

Graded Schools.

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	Total
Promoted June 1909,	16	11	9	13	15	10	15	7	0	96
Not promoted,	3	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	8
Total membership, June 1909,	19	12	9	13	15	11	18	7	0	104
In same grade two years,	4	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	11
Primary,	10	13	8							31
Intermediate,				9	11	12				32
Grammar,							15	15	5	35
Bay,	5	3	2	2	3					15
Total membership, Feb. 15, 1910,	15	16	10	11	14	12	15	15	5	113
Average age, Sept. 1909,	6.2	6.5	8.2	9.5	10.9	11.9	12.7	13.4	13.9	

High School.

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year	Fourth Year	Total
Entered by examination, Sept. 1909,	5	8	9	—	22
Failed to pass previous year,	1	1	0	—	2
Total membership,	6	9	9	—	24
Left school,	0	1	0	—	1
Membership, Feb. 15, 1910,	6	8	9	—	23

Teaching Force, 1909—1910.

School	Teacher	Education	Salary Per Year	Salary Per Week
High	D. W. MacLean,	University of Maine*	\$650.00	
	Fannie G. deRochemont,	Bates College*	425.00	
Grammar	Grace E. Lord,	Plymouth Normal*†	400.00	
Intermediate	Alice J. Hobbs,	Normal Course†	360.00	
Primary	Leila F. Hussey,	Normal Course	360.00	
Mountain	Elsie M. Glidden,	Plymouth Normal		\$8.00
McDuffee	Eula M. Presby,	Plymouth Normal		7.50
Bay	Clara B. Davis,	Lynn High School*		7.00

* Graduate

† State Certificate

Roll of Honor.

School Year 1908-1909.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Albert Adams, Walter George.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Doris McDuffee, Rexford Horman, Hazel Ricker.

Summary.

	1907-08	1908-09
Length of village schools in weeks,	36	36
Length of district schools in weeks,	30	30
Average length of all schools,	32.57	32.57
Whole number of pupils,	204	202
Boys,	99	100
Girls,	105	102
Average attendance,	152	157
Average absence,	18	18
Average membership,	170	175
Per cent of attendance,	89	90
Cases of tardiness,	693	611
Pupils not absent nor tardy,	8	5
Visits by citizens,	279	235
Visits by school board,	32	41
Visits by superintendent,	111	130
Cost per pupil, total current expenses,	\$29.67	\$29.81

LIBRARY REPORT.

DR.			
To cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1909,			\$ 19 82
June 6	To cash received, town treasurer,		159 50
Sept. 10	“ Eveline S. Palmer		
	fund,		17 50
Total,			\$196 82
CR.			
Apr. 16	By cash paid for librarian book,		\$ 1 00
19	“ library cards,		2 50
21	“ cleaning library,		1 60
22	“ notice cards,		1 50
June 8	“ Grumaiux News and		
	Sub. Co.,		21 90
July 7	“ Charles Lauriat Co.,		
	books,		113 91
	“ George G. Neal,		
	binding books,		27 55
Aug. 2	“ Charles Lauriat, bal-		
	ance on books,		1 83
Sept. 7	“ E. H. Thomas, print-		
	ing catalogues,		6 00
9	“ Annie M. Wright,		
	making catalogue,		5 00
	“ freight, small books		
	and postage,		89
1910			
Feb. 15	“ on hand Feb. 15, 1910,		13 14
Total,			\$196 82

Number of books in library, 8,343.

Number of books loaned for year, 4,873 since April 21st.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA M. WRIGHT,
OLIVER J. M. GILMAN,
ALONZO S. FRENCH,

Library Trustees.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Sex & Cond.			Name of the Child (if any).	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of		Age of Father	Age of Mother
		Males.	Females.	Living or Stillborn.	No. Child.						Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 2		M		L	4	W	Thomas J. Alden	Margaret Claffin	Alton	Farmer	Middleboro, Ms	Nova Scotia	38	34
6					1		John H. Dolan	Abbie D. Flanders		Clerk	C-ncord	Manchester	38	22
11		"			4		Herbert I. Ricker	Willie's Whitehouse		Shoemaker	Alton	Alton	33	28
26		"			3		Edward Prime	Grace Clark		Fireman	Moultonboro	Belmont	37	29
Feb. 7		"			4		George W. Rollins	Cora E. Clark		Farmer	"	Boston, Mass.	42	30
Apr. 18		F			1		Guy Varney	Carolyn E. Crockett		Clerk	Alton	Vinal Haven, Me	27	29
May 11		"			2		Eliam R. Wright	Anna Murray		Physician	Lunenburg, Vt	Ft. Mecon, N.M.	49	40
18		"			1		Ellsworth H. Rollins	Maude Weymouth		Lumber Merc't	Alton	Belmont	47	37
22		"			1		Frank L. Emerson	S. Francis Price		Merchant	"	Gilmanton	30	22
22		"			1		Willis E. Glidden	Jennie E. Buzzell		Carpenter	"	Alton	43	36
June 9		"			2		Herman L. Barr	Nina May Walker		Painter	Nova Scotia	Roston, Mass.	33	24
17		"			2		Walter Tuttle	Edna Brown		Laborer	Milton	Alton	22	22
17		"			1		"	"		"	"	"	22	22
22		"			3		Earl C. Glidden	Flora M. Lamper		Painter	Alton	"	29	22
July 23		"			1		Grace Woodman	Flora M. Lamper		Farmer	Alton	Pittsfield	20	
20		"			2		Abbie H. Paige	Nellie Jones		Farmer	Alton	New Durham	48	27
Aug. 3		"			1		John F. Hanson	Etta B. Coffin		Farmer	Alton	Alton	18	
19		"			1		Fred S. Gilman	Mary S. Hancock		Farmer	Alton	West India Isl.	37	31
Sept. 25		"			8		Willis Woodman	Ida R. Stevens		Painter	"	Alton	38	39
27		"			3		Arthur Canning	Martha Mathews		Shoemaker	"	Alton	32	35
26		"			8		Albert E. Barnes	Flora A. Sudsbury		Laborer	New Brunswick	Westbrook, N.Y.	31	34
Oct. 11		"			7		Willis P. Emerson	Mary Bateslee		Carpenter	Somerville, Ms	P. E. Island	32	33
23		"			1		Cyrus L. Harriman	Maud E. Kimball		Merchant	Alton	Brattleboro, Vt.	43	24
Nov. 2		"			6		Willie R. Varney	Jennie A. Lamper		Shoemaker	Eaton	Wolfeboro	36	36
10		"			1		"	"		Farmer	Alton	Alton	42	33

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years	Color of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	* Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom Married.
Jan. 8	Alton	Walter P. Woodman May Eva Horne	Alton "	26 w 14		Farmer	Alton N'w Durham	Laroy F. Woodman Abbie Davis	Alton Middleton	Farmer Housewife	2 1	Willis H. Tucker, Justice of the Peace
Mar. 3	"	Frank M. Ayer	"	35		Merchant	"	Everett Horne Euna Herry	New Durham	Housewife	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
3	"	Stella M. Francis	"	28		At Home	Manchester	Joseph F. Ayers Harriet S. Downs	Rochester	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
	"	Fred P. Hayes	"	37		Carpenter	Alton	Edward W. Francis Emily A. Rollins	Johnville, P.Q.	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
17	"	Fernie M. Jones	"	29			Milton	Charles W. Hayes Lizzie A. Sampson	New Durham	Clerk	2	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
	"	Ernest A. Hurd	"	25		Farmer	Alton	Christopher Jones Mary A. Staples	Alton	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
	"	Alice May Smith	"	19		Houseke'p'r	Meredith	Wm. B. Hurd Sarah E. Varney	Wolfeboro	Housewife	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
30	"	John H. McDuffee	"	35		Clerk	Alton	Frank Smith Nellie F. Lawrence	Meredith	Housewife	2	Edwin B. Stiles, Clergyman
Apr. 4	"	Effie M. Prescott	"	29		Sch'l Teach'r	"	Henry I. McDuffee Melvin A. Buzzell	Alton	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
	"	Ernest L. Batchelder	"	24		Farmer	Loudon	Edwin O. Prescott Julia A. Prescott	Alton	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
May 18	"	Edith Mae Parker	"	18		Houseke'p'r	Milford	Auried P. Batchelder Nellie M. Brown	London	Farmer	1	Edward W Cummings Clergyman
	"	Isaac E. Straw	"	29		Farmer	Alton	James C. Parker Mary Burnham	Canterbury	Houseke'p'r	1	Willis H. Tucker, Justice of the Peace
	"	Emma Whitehouse	"	27		Houseke'p'r	Dover	Joseph Straw Susan A. Kimball	Munsonville	Houseke'p'r	2	Willis H. Tucker, Justice of the Peace
								Mark Whitehouse Nellie Lanigan	Lynnborough	Farmer	1	
									Tamworth	Houseke'p'r	1	
									Somersworth	Carpenter	1	
									Ireland	Houseke'p'r	1	

June 2	"	John F. Hynes	Charlestown	30	Trainman	W. R. Jct. Vt.	Martin Hynes	"	Foreman	1	Uldoric Godin, Clergyman
		Katherine A. Hurley	Alton	27	At Home	Alton	Mary Dolan	"	Houseke'p'r	1	
27	"	Clinton A. E. Flanders	"	20	Lumberman	"	John Hurley	"	Houseke'p'r	1	
		Olive L. Willard	Gilford	18	At Home	Gilmanton	Johanna Kelley	Gilford	Farmer	1	Arthur H. Drury, Clergyman
Aug. 4	"	Harry D. Wilson	Alton	20	Painter	Brockton Ms	Loella B. Sawyer	Alton	Houseke'p'r	1	
		Bertha F. Tilton	Boston	21	At Home	Riverside Ms	Daniel Willard	Belmont	Sawyer	1	
Sept. 16	"	Earl L. Brown	Alton	21	Clerk	Littleton	Eliza J. Thompson	"	Salesman	1	
		Leola M. Davis	S Berwick, Me	19	At Home	Rollinsford	Charles H. Wilson	Brockton	Housewife	1	Harry E. Shattuck, Clergyman
Oct. 23	"	Benjamin M. Perkins	Alton	22	Mason	Alton	Minnie A. Durant	Ashland, Mas.	Baggage m'r	1	
		Winnie L. Crocker	"	19	At Home	Rochester	Albert H. Tilton	Nova Scotia	Housewife	1	
26	"	Fred L. Dore	"	27	Mill man	N'w Durham	Annie Chisolm	Benton	Clerk	1	Edwin B. Stiles, Clergyman
		Lena B. Durkee	"	19	Shoestitcher	Newport Vt	Lorenzo J. Brown	Bethlehem	Housewife	1	
Nov. 4	"	Arthur L. Charles	"	22	Laborer	Chatham	Julia L. Streeter	Eliot, Me.	Mercant	1	
		Ruby M. Ricker	"	20	At Home	N'w Durham	Clarence M. Davis	Keene, N. Y.	Housewife	1	Charles H. Percival, Clergyman
Dec. 24	"	George L. Douglas	"	20	Enamel W'r	Boston, Mas	Alta M. Norton	Alton	Farmer	1	
		Mildred N. Place	Gilmanton	19	At Home	Gilmanton	Charles A. Perkins	"	Mason	1	
25	"	Alfred E. Rane	Horicon, Wis	22	Blacksmith	Horicon Wis	Ida M. Emerson	Dexter, Me.	Housewife	1	John A. Pogue, Clergyman
		L. Edna Gerrish	Alton	19	At Home	Alton	Fred H. Crocker	Barrington	Housewife	1	
							Francena Seavey	Alton	Farmer	1	John A. Pogue, Clergyman
							Eugene Dore	New Durham	Housewife	1	
							Etta A. Davis	Canada	Sawyer	1	
							Addie Hoyt	Newport, Vt.	Carpenter	1	
							Eldeen Charles	Saco, Me.	Housewife	1	John A. Pogue, Clergyman
							Melinda Charles	Chatham	Mercant	1	
							Charles Ricker	Barrington	Housewife	1	
							Emma A. Stevens	New Durham	Inventor	1	
							James H. Douglas	Fitchburg	Housewife	1	A. T. Everett, Clergyman
							Delia Flannery	Scotland	Sawyer	1	
							Jesse F. Place	Gilmanton	Housewife	1	
							Grace W. Page	Germany	Jeweler	1	William Muir, Minister of Gospel
							Theodore Rane	"	Housewife	1	
							George W. Gerrish	Milton	Carpenter	1	
							Isabelle Ellis	Alton	Housewife	1	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single or Married.	Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease, or Cause of Death.	Name of Physician, or other person, Reporting Death.
		Years.	Months.						Father.	Mother.				
Jan. 8	Luther B. Place	83	5 17	Gilmanton	M	W	W	Farmer	Alton	Alton	Jacob Place	Hannah Clough	Heart Disease	C. P. Ballard
15	Charles F. Rand	54	6 11	Barnstead	"	"	M	"	Gilford	Gilford	Isaac Morrill	Rheub'h Eaton	Cancer	P. H. Wheeler
Feb. 5	Albert Morrill	72	9 18	Gilford	"	"	M	Shoemaker	Durham	Wenham	Eb'z'r Reynolds	Abigail Wyatt	Pneumonia	G. H. Salmars
23	Albina P. Kimball	68	2	Unity	F	"	"	Housekeeper	Goshen	Pittsfield	James Roundy	Sarah Carter	General Debility	F. W. McLaughlin
Mar. 7	Alva B. Flanders	75	11	Alton	M	"	"	Farmer	Franklin	Durham	And'w Flanders	Elizabeth Eaton	Bright's Disease	E. P. Hodgdon
10	August's D. Sanborn	65	5 10	Franklin	F	"	"	Housekeeper	Epsom	Wat'n'ms	Piper Sanborn	H'm M. Crummet	Apoxy	F. W. McLaughlin
17	Charles M. Downing	81	6	Epsom	M	W	W	Farmer	Alton	Alton	Sam'l Bickford	Lucy Learned	Gen. ral Debility	"
20	Stephen H. Flanders	63	10	Alton	M	W	M	Housekeeper	Tuftonb'o	Malden Ms	Dyer Flanders	Serene Flanders	Val. Dis. of Heart	"
30	Mary N. Horne	48	1 10	Farmington	F	"	M	Farmer	Lee	Sweden	Enoch Carney	Mary A. Waitt	Pneumonia	"
Apr. 5	Laura A. Berry	72	10 4	Effingham	F	"	M	Farmer	Alton	Straford	Jacob Tuttle	Mary A. Brackett	Val Dis. of Heart	N. H. Scott
11	Mathil'g. Peterson	42	8 27	Sweden	M	S	M	Housewife	Sweden	Sweden	George W. Berry	L. Chamberlain	Heart Failure	F. W. McLaughlin
May 7	Laban G. Welch	56	1 21	Dover	M	"	"	Druggist	San'wich	N Durnam	Samuel Welch	Dolly Gray	Tabe Dorsois	"
10	John B. Worthing	68	1	Sandwich	"	"	"	Carpenter	Wat'n'ms	Po'ts'm NY	John Lewis	Elizabeth Williams	Cystitis	"
15	John Q. A. Lewis	81	4 12	Suncook	"	"	"	Housewife	Gilford	Bow	Noah Glidden	Jenny Noyes	En Pro-. Cystitis	"
20	Betsey A. Frohock	78	3 5	Gilford	F	"	"	Housewife	Milton	Meredith	Walter Tuttle	Edna Brown	Paralysis	"
June 17	Pauline Edna Tuttle	2	7 28	Alton	M	"	"	Ship Builder	St John, NB	Runney	Luther Elliott	Rebecca Glazier	Atelotosis	"
July 6	Harold L. Elliott	84	9	Lubec, Me.	"	"	M	"	Norton	Runney	Robert La-key	Eva Wise	C S. Meningitis	"
7	Stephen G. Laskey	84	8 9	Alton	"	"	S	"	Alton	Mr'ft'NB	Walter Tuttle	Edna Brown	Pneumonia	"
12	Leslie H. Barr	1	3	"	"	"	S	"	No'a Scot'a	Boston, Ms	Herman L. Barr	Nina M. Walker	Marasmus	E. C. Perkins
14	Charles C. Mooney	93	10 20	"	"	"	W	Farmer	Alton	Alton	Joseph Mooney	Mariam Coffin	Convulsions	E. R. Wright
14	Edna L. Tuttle	20	11 12	"	"	"	M	Housewife	Alton	Boston, Ms	And'w J. Brown	Abbie Jones	Septicemia	F. W. McLaughlin
Aug. 13	Charles L. Blaisdell	41	8 23	Farmington	M	"	"	Housewife	Ba'n's'n PQ	Piermont	B'f'n L. Blaisdell	Abbie Horne	Gen. Tuberculosis	C. F. Ballard
26	Flora L. Dore	60	4 11	Barnston PQ	F	"	"	Housewife	Alton	Tuft'n bo'o	Nathaniel Hill	Mary Corliss	Cancer of Breast	F. W. McLaughlin
Sept. 11	Frank A. Varney	39	4 5	Alton	M	"	"	Merchant	"	"	Allen Varney	Esther A. Chase	Cardiac Insuffi-cy	Daniel J. Ellison
22	Hezekiah H. Bennett	50	1 23	"	"	"	"	Carpenter	"	Straford	Morr'n Bennett	Christ'ae Berry	Typ'd Pneumonia	F. W. McLaughlin
Oct. 2	Enos G. Rollins	77	6 27	"	"	"	"	Farmer	"	"	Jerem'h Rollins	Martha Libby	Fatty Deg. Heart	N. H. Scott
9	Charles H. Jones	69	4 3	"	"	"	"	Shoemaker	"	Alton	Jonathan Jones	Eliza'eth Rollins	Chronic Cystitis	F. W. McLaughlin
Nov. 12	Ellor J. Emerson	84	3 23	"	"	"	W	Housewife	Casco, Me	Albany Me	Isaiah W. Spiller	Emma Tyler	Septicemia	E. R. Wright
Dec. 10	Albert C. Spiller	24	1 18	Shelburne	M	"	M	Farmer	Oakia'd Me	Sidney Me	Benj. F. Gleason	Lena M. Hallett	Gen. Peritonitis	Daniel J. Ellison
17	Elmo A. Gleason	20	5 2	Belgrade Me	"	"	"	"	"	"	Seth Sawyer	Elizabeth Wiggins	Pal. Tubercu o is	"
17	Emeline R. Avery	70	6 26	Alton	F	"	S	Housewife	"	"	"	"	Cancer, Stomach	F. W. McLaughlin

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 WALDO C. VARNEY, Town Clerk.

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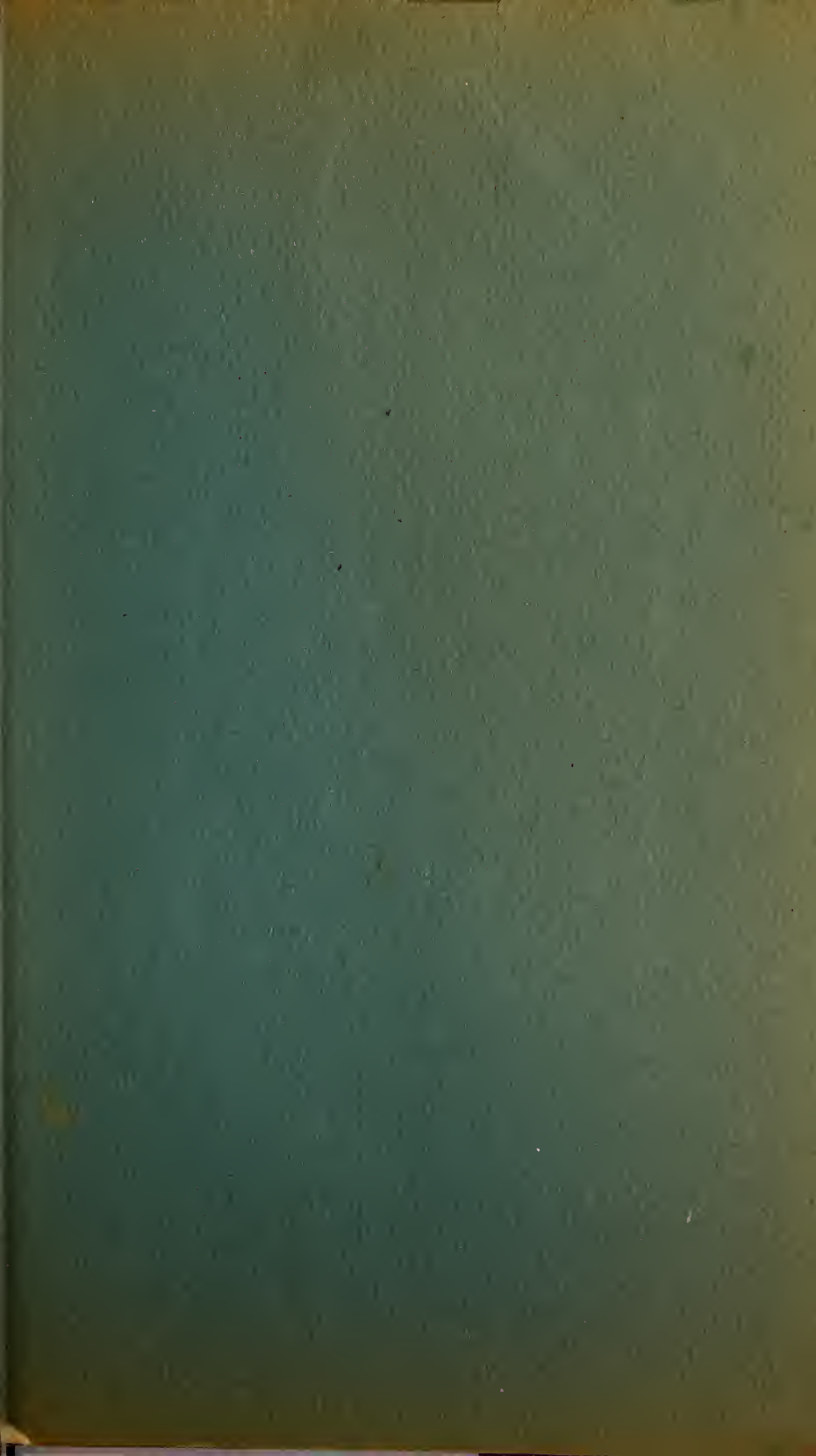
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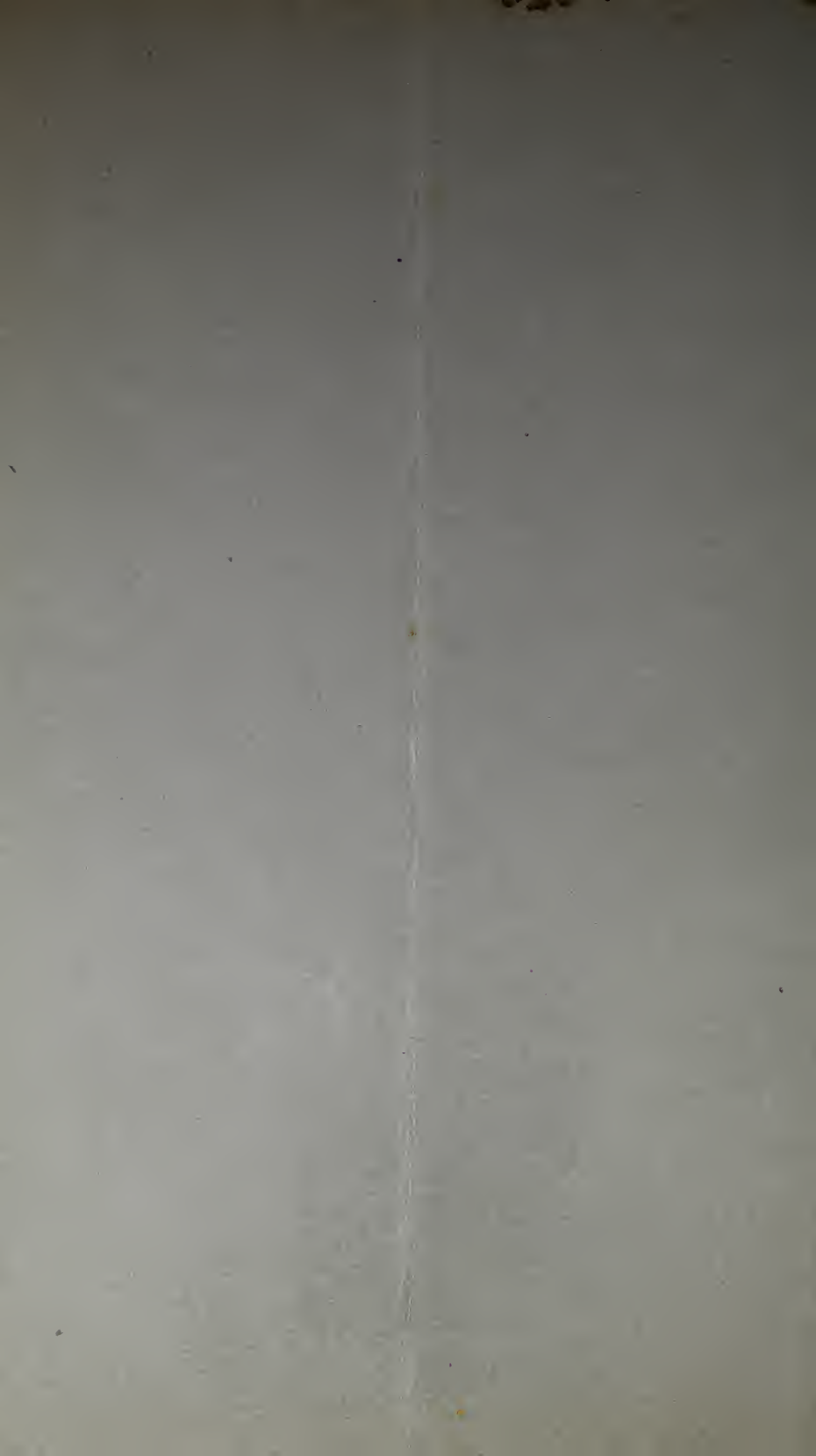
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New Hampshire



For the Fiscal Year Ending February 15,

1911



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, CLERK
and SCHOOL BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF ALTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1911

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TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

FRANK M. AYER

WILLIAM H. BERRY

OSCAR DUNCAN

TOWN CLERK

CHARLES H. McDUFFEE

TREASURER

HERBERT J. JONES

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

OSCAR E. DAVIS

AUDITORS

WILLIS P. EMERSON

LEWIS H. LAMPREY

SUPERVISORS

GEORGE W. PLACE

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS

AI T. GILMAN

SCHOOL BOARD

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS

ALTA H. McDUFFEE

W. E. SANBORN

FIRE WARDS

GEORGE W. PLACE

ALONZO B. LANG

CHARLES H. DOWNING

POLICE

EDWARD W. FRANCIS

CONSTABLE

GEORGE W. PLACE

Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF ALTON.

Real estate, number of acres, 35,605, value.			\$645,967 00
Personal estate, including poll.			203,727 00
Total value,			\$849,694 00
Polls,	373	\$100 00	\$37,300 00
Horses,	346	78 58	27,190 00
Oxen,	58	57 76	3,350 00
Cows,	494	28 21	13,937 00
Neat stock,	97	17 34	1,682 00
Sheep,	84	3 60	303 00
Hogs,	2	12 50	25 00
Fowls,	160	50	80 00
Carriages,	20	192 50	3,850 00
Stock in public funds,			1,000 00
Stock in banks and other corporations,			1,700 00
Stock in trade,			74,905 00
Aqueducts,			12,000 00
Mills and machinery,			8,850 00
Money on deposit,			500 00
Buildings not designated,			1,630 00
Power boats,			15,425 00
Total,			\$203,727 00

Total amount of taxes raised,		\$16,144 18
State tax,	\$1,590 00	
County tax,	1,858 43	
School tax,	6,047 50	
Firemen's tax,	105 00	
Library tax,	209 50	
Highway tax,	4,624 23	
Moth tax,	500 00	
Town tax,	1,050 00	
Overlay,	159 52	
	<hr/>	\$16,144 18
Tax on polls, \$1 90.		

RECEIPTS

Amount of taxes charged to collector,		\$16,144 18
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910,	\$1,951 30	
Received of Belknap county,	46 00	
Laconia National Bank,	2,000 00	
Fred E. Nutter, license,	16 00	
State Fire Commissioner	125 00	
" "	147 23	
Betsey Frohock, estate,	100 00	
State, part of Joint Fund,	216 02	
" "	175 28	
Belknap County,	158 87	
State Insurance tax,	3 75	
" Railroad tax,	2,047 15	
" Savings Bank tax,	1,251 31	
" Literary Fund tax,	179 55	
" Prop'tion of School Fund,	628 09	
Eugene F. Goodwin, 1909 tax,	1 77	
C. W. Rollins, "	41 92	
Jonathan F. Smith, "	4 19	
E. H. Bishop, 1908, 09 tax,	10 25	

Received of Emeline R. Avery estate,

Cemetery Fund,	500 00
G. W. Berry, Cemetery fund,	100 00
Belknap county,	32 00
C. H. McDuffee, dog license,	319 97
F. M. Ayer, hall rent,	116 00
C. H. McDuffee, primary fees,	12 00
Frank J. Stevens, 1909 tax,	14 81
Oscar E. Davis, taxes,	31 37
“ moth tax,	89 75
“ interest	1 64
State, bounty on bear,	5 00

Total,

\$26,470 40

EXPENDITURES.

Paid H. M. Rollins, moth work	\$4 00
C. S. Lovett, “	34 00
S. C. Seavey, road work	9 90
E. G. Ellis,	12 00
H. L. Barr, moth work,	12 00
Lewis H. Lamprey, school money,	500 00
Farmington News, printing ballots,	4 50
Charles E. Tuttle, care of hand tub,	5 00
Frances A. Frohock, balance on note,	32 95
A. H. Dore, moth work,	18 00
Courier Publishing Co., printing report	64 00
Edson C. Eastman, for books,	4 74
Louis H. Lamprey, school money,	500 00
John A. Dyer, moth work	75 01
C. A. Glidden, sawing wood,	1 50
Philip L. Drew, setting glass,	3 15
Edward H. Horne, moth work,	17 00

Paid John A. Dyer, moth work	14 65
Raymond Willard, "	10 00
Mr. Corbin, "	5 00
G. A. Johnson, "	4 50
Arthur J. Moyer, "	27 40
C. W. Whitehouse, stone work,	8 50
Edward Curtis, moth work,	4 50
Fred Simpson, "	25 50
Alonzo S. French, library money	159 50
Lewis H. Lamprey, school money,	200 00
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian,	12 50
Oscar E. Davis, memorial fund,	50 00
The J. H. Downing Co., fire extinguishers	90 00
Lewis H. Lamprey, school money,	300 00
" " "	400 00
Harry Cheney, moth work	5 25
J. N. Bennett, repairing gas machine,	19 00
Edward H. Horne, moth work,	3 00
Lewis H. Lamprey, school money,	200 00
Stephen Shagnon, sheep damage,	4 00
David E. Clough, care of hall and clock,	30 00
F. M. Ayer, fire bills,	250 30
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline, freight	56 96
Good Roads Machine Co., repairs,	15 25
B. & M. R. R., land rent for wharf,	1 00
Dr. P. H. Greeley, return births and deaths,	1 25
Dr. C. P. Ballard, " "	2 75
J. F. Butler, tuning piano,	5 00
Allen Brothers, police badge,	1 00
Eugene Smart & Sons, keys	2 35
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian,	12 50
F. M. Ayer, fire bills,	54 90
Lewis H. Lamprey, school money,	500 00
Selectmen, pay roll No. 1, state highway,	234 34

Paid G. W. Leavitt, piles for wharf,	31 50
Selectmen, pay roll No. 2, state highway, . .	538 40
" " " 3, " 	439 10
John Goodhue, driving piles,	90 00
Selectmen, pay roll No. 4, state highway . .	339 18
Geo. W. Place, lumber for wharf,	200 41
Selectmen, pay roll No. 5, state highway . .	417 30
W. H. Berry, repairing road machine,	7 50
Selectmen, pay roll No. 6 state highway . .	368 57
Charles W Whitehouse, stone work	12 93
Lewis H Lamprey, school money	700 00
Selectmen, pay roll No. 7 state highway . .	275 42
B F Pickering, labor on wharf	66 45
Gilbert&BarkerMfg.Co., repairing gas machine	21 98
Selectmen, pay roll No. 8 state highway . .	122 30
Geo W. Rhines, sheep damage	15 00
Annie A. Wheeler, librarian	12 50
The Downing Co., drain pipe	33 60
The J H Downing Co., supplies	34 71
Laconia Nat. Bank, on note	1,000 00
David E Clough, care hall and clock	30 00
Lewis H Varney, school money	500 00
Ira W Mitchell, care Sarah Evans' lot	2 00
" " care Nute lot	2 50
" " fertilizer for lawn	1 85
Selectmen, pay roll No. 9 state highway . .	61 90
Alton and Alton Bay Water Co.	500 00
Laconia Nat. Bank, bal. note and interest .	1,047 50
Lewis H Lamprey, school money	300 00
" " " " 	500 00
George H Fifield, teams fire dept. etc. . . .	88 00
George W Place, lumber for wharf	8 86
" " bridge plank	109 65
Robert A Frohock, sheep damage	5 00

Paid Orrin M James, state engineer	23 50
Dr. D J Ellison, return of births and deaths	3 00
Dr. E R Wright, " " " "	1 25
Oe Varney, care tramps	4 25
H E Morrell, supplies	42 36
C L Jenness, drain pipe and freight	26 86
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gosoline, freight	25 44
Lewis H Lamprey, school money	600 00
John J Emerson, labor on wharf	3 92
J N Bennett, furnace pipe and labor	7 10
David E Clough, dog officer	10 00
Consolidated Coal Co.	62 94
Fred Copp, bounty on bear	5 00
W P Emerson, nails and spikes, wharf	8 94
" supplies,	5 60
" pung for hose Co.	3 00
Abbie M Gould, watering tub, '09-'10	6 00
Lewis H Lamprey, school money	789 19
C F Guptill & Co., hardware for wharf	11 61
Oscar Duncan, blacksmith work	25 25
A S French, Palmer fund	17 50
D H Morrison, watering tub '10	3 00
C H Downing, wood, hose Co., No. 2	3 50
Forrest Rollins, watering tub '09-'10	6 00
Frank A Varney Est., supplies	1 60
J Jones & Son, supplies	110 26
Alton & Alton Bay Water Co., bal. on hydrants	280 00
" " " " water, town hall	19 00
" " " " supplies	1 50
H J Jones, insurance, town hall	100 00
Jones & Lamprey, supplies	10 13
Albert J Jones, gravel	8 00
Annie A Wheeler, librarian	12 50
Oscar Duncan, clerk hose Co. No. 1	264 75

Paid F M Ayer, entering inventory	20 00
George W Place, care of tramps	60 25
“ “ food for tramps	2 50
“ “ drawing saw-dust and ashes	3 00
“ “ wood	14 50
James B Walker, fighting fire	4 00
Fred A Brown care hand tub	4 00
E K Jenkins, watering tub, '10	3 00
J Jones, care fountain	5 00
David Clough, janitor	25 00
“ “ care clock	5 00
“ “ extra work on hall	34 50
Alton Electric Light & Power Co.	30 00
Lewis E Avery, wood	10 00
Albert Otis, dog damage	5 00
Charles Emerson, sawing wood	2 50
Oscar Duncan, drift pins for wharf	2 80
“ “ expense	85
F M Ayer, expense	15 55
W H Berry, expense	22 00
Eugene Smart & Sons, keys	1 50
W C Varney, postage moth notices	8 00
F W McLaughlin, M.D., ret. births & deaths	5 75
Stanton Owen, legal advice	1 00
E H Rollins, land rent for lobby	25 00
F M Ayer, care of order book	5 00
“ “ renting town hall	5 00
W P Emerson, clerk hose Co. No. 2	99 30
C E Hutchins, board of health expense	1 40
Total	<u>\$14,817 11</u>

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES

Paid The J H Downing Co., county	\$56 00
H P Evans, "	25 00
W P Emerson, "	84 00
J Jones & Son, "	71 87
Total	<u>\$236 87</u>

TOWN OFFICERS

Paid E W Francis, police	\$ 4 50
E R Wright, supervisor	29 00
Fred Varney, "	28 00
Oe Varney, police	2 00
" ballot inspector, Mar., Sept.	4 00
Herbert E Morrell, supervisor	21 00
E G Ellis, ballot inspector, Nov.	2 00
F A Varney, Est. ballot inspector, Mar. '09	2 00
Alonzo S French, moderator	6 00
Charles H McDuffee, town clerk	69 70
" " inspector	4 00
George W Place, fire warden	5 00
" " forest fire warden	7 00
" " constable	22 50
Waldo C Varney, town clerk	8 10
" " inspector	4 00
Charles E Hutchins, board of health	5 00
H J Jones, selectman	6 00
" " town treasurer	50 00
Charles E Fifield, probation officer	15 00
" " health officer	5 00
" " tree warden	5 00
F W McLaughlin, M. D., health officer	5 00
Lewis H Lamprey, auditor	2 00

Paid Willis P Emerson, auditor	2 00
“ “ inspector, '08-'09-'10	12 00
Oscar E Davis, collector	200 00
Fred H Downing inspector	2 00
Alonzo B Lang, fire ward	5 00
Charles H Downing, fire ward	5 00
William H Berry, selectman	92 00
Oscar Duncan, “	104 00
Frank M Ayer, “	106 00
“ “ overseer of the poor	15 00
“ “ ballot inspector	2 00
Total	<u>\$856 80</u>

WINTER WORK ON HIGHWAY, 1909 AND 1910

Paid Seth E Rollins	\$ 4 28
Calvin Rollins	8 48
Seth E Grant	10 58
E S Batchelder	7 60
Haven C Rollins	2 48
Lake Shore Lumber Co.	2 48
Wesley E Hatch	1 19
A D Rollins	2 48
Charles E Fifield	5 73
Fred Leach	50
Jacob Peterson	1 00
George H Fifield	23 20
Charles P Barr	40
Dana Bradley	5 45
John McPhee	60
Albert Ellis	3 75
Henry Tardy	1 20
John C Young	7 38
John Tardy	75

Paid Orin Joy	38
R B Hurd and Son	20 91
P H Walker	10 26
Kenneth Walker	6 62
Walter Woodman	1 20
Fred Pinkham	1 20
Harris Emerson	90
John N Avery	2 85
F H Rollins	16 00
E H Rollins	7 00
W S Watson	6 70
Oscar E Davis	3 90
Benjamin Perkins	1 50
Herbert Emerson	1 50
Arthur Gilman	1 50
Frank Allen	10 90
John Johnson	1 50
B F Gleason	6 75
Joseph Mooney	50
Ira Bennett	2 25
George W Horne	12 83
Edwin O Prescott	11 80
Charles E Nutter	60
James M Jones	1 05
Charles Tebbets	10 20
C C Rines' heirs	31 35
Hervey G Hayes	5 40
William B Selon	4 65
Edward S Walker	3 45
H L Flanders	11 05
Moses W Flanders	10 05
Charles D Marston	30
John L Weeks	10 65
Joseph Henry	1 35

Paid W H Hall	1 05
W R Place	4 50
Ai T Gilman	19 34
Lewis E Avery	9 13
C S Glidden	7 33
Fred S Gilman	24 85
Charles H Clough	4 80
Abbie M Gould	1 20
Fred L Woodman	68
Lewis A Proctor	27 00
Edwin K Jenkins	7 80
Edgar P Seward	5 85
Eugene F Goodwin	1 50
David Flemming	1 05
Robert A Frohock	49 50
George S Chamberlain	1 50
John F Calley	3 50
George E Nute	2 32
Herbert E Hayes	8 25
Niles J Peterson	1 80
W Allen Varney	2 40
Stephen P Barnes	3 53
Jonathan L Rollins	5 07
Albert Barnes	8 75
Seth D Hurd	1 75
Harrison B Ricker	16 50
Georgia A Morrill	2 25
Calvin H Flanders	13 33
Maurice L Flanders	15 00
Stephen Shagnon	15 16
George Shagnon	2 10
Frank H Carpenter	4 35
Leroy F Woodman	21
Levi G Page	2 00

Paid John K Jones	1 25
Ira C Chamberlain	21 23
Velzora A Dealand	16 80
John F Hanson	8 59
Sylvester B Huckins	22 50
William H Berry	7 97
Herman P Horne	3 90
George W Place	11 20
George H Fifield	26 40
George W Leavitt	5 00
John W Evans	75
Oscar Duncan	1 50
Hadley F Gilman	4 00
Charles Y Thing	75
Charles H W Jones	24 02
Elbridge G Ellis	10 92
Fred E Glidden	16 87
Albert D Morse	16 82
Smith A Willard	1 50
Amanda Willard	75
Orrin Lamper	4 50
David Lamper	4 20
Moses Ellis	4 80
Willis E Glidden	14 24
Lester A Young	14 40
David H Morrison	6 80
Harry Morrison	9 35
George W Morrison	12 90
James N Morrison	5 85
Frank W Howard	11 15
William Shaw	7 35
Seth H Kimball	90
Ralph Kimball	90
Sewell E Roberts	25 61

Paid Charles Roberts	2 45
Charles E Hodgdon	9 00
John C Page	7 65
John R Tufts	3 75
Albert D Varney	3 50
James B Woodman	24 75
Ira W Mitchell	8 00
Oscar J Garland	2 40
Albert D Varney	3 50
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	\$984 94

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910	\$1,951 30	
Total receipt during the year	24,519 10	
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Total		\$26,470 40

DISBURSEMENTS

Total disbursements during the year	\$23,226 81	
Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1911,	3,243 59	
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Total		\$26,470 40
Assets, Feb. 15, 1910	\$2,068 59	
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1910	914 64	
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Net Assets		\$1,153 95
Assets Feb. 15, 1911	\$3,383 21	
Liabilities Feb. 15, 1911	1,760 85	
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Net Assets		\$1,622 36

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RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1910	\$ 1,951 30	
Taxes received from collector	16,144 18	
Railroad tax	2,047 15	
Savings Bank tax	1,251 31	
Insurance tax	3 75	
Literary fund	179 55	
Proportion of school fund	628 09	
Belknap county, for dependent soldiers and families	236 87	
Dog license	319 97	
Rent of opera house	116 00	
State fire commissioners	272 23	
State highway department	391 30	
Miscellaneous	2,928 70	
Total		\$26,470 40

DISBURSEMENTS

County, dependent soldiers and families	\$236 87
Town officers	856 80
Highway, winter work	984 94
“ summer work	2,732 02
Damage by dogs	29 00
State tax	1,590 00
County tax	1,858 43
Fireman tax	105 00
Memorial appropriation	50 00
Support of schools	6,047 50
Abatements 1910 taxes	62 25
State highway	2,796 51
Public wharf	424 49

Forest fires	712 92	
Miscellaneous	4,740 08	
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Total		\$23,226 81
Excess of receipts over disbursements		3,243 59
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Total		\$26,470 40

ASSETS

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1911	\$3,243 59	
Due from 1910 taxes bought by town	88 29	
Due from 1909 taxes bought by town	51 33	
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		\$3,383 21

LIABILITIES

School literary fund	\$179 55	
School, balance dog money	276 97	
School, for toilet facilities	1,000 00	
Unexpended balance of permanent improvement fund	1 83	
Unexpended balance of moth fund	302 50	
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		\$1,760 85
Net Assets		\$1,622 36

DOG LICENSES

Cash paid for dog licenses	\$319 97
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PAYMENTS

Damage by dogs	\$29 00	
Expense collecting	14 00	
Balance due schools	276 97	
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		\$319 97

TRUST FUNDS

Carrie B Nute, cemetery fund	\$150 00
Eveline L Palmer, library fund	500 00
Sarah J I Evans, cemetery fund	100 00
Emeline R Avery, cemetery fund	500 00
Geo. W Berry, cemetery fund	100 00
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Total	\$1,350 00

The foregoing report contains a synopsis of our financial transactions for the past official year, which we respectfully submit to the inhabitants of Alton.

The public wharf at Alton Bay is 122 feet long by 15 feet wide and cost \$424.49. This is said to be the best public wharf around the lake.

We have an unexpended balance of \$302.50 of the moth fund which we think will be sufficient to clean the highways the present season.

FRANK M AYER	} Selectmen of Alton
WILLIAM H BERRY	
OSCAR DUNCAN	

Report of Treasurer

1910			
March		Balance cash in treasury	\$1,951 30
June	10	Received of O E Davis, collector . . .	275 00
		“ C H McDuffee, dog licenses . . .	100 00
	24	“ F M Ayer, selectman . . .	2,000 00
July	2	“ C H McDuffee, dog licenses . . .	150 00
		“ O E Davis, collector . . .	125 00
	11	“ “ “ . . .	150 00
Aug	6	“ “ “ . . .	275 00
	12	“ C H McDuffee, nomination fees	12 00
	20	Received of O E Davis, collector . . .	250 00
	27	“ “ “ . . .	500 00
Sept	6	“ “ “ . . .	350 00
	9	“ State Treasurer, brush fires . . .	125 00
	10	“ O E Davis, collector . . .	275 00
	17	“ “ “ . . .	300 00
	23	“ F M Ayer, selectman . . .	100 00
		“ State Treasurer, brush fires . . .	147 23
Oct	1	“ O E Davis, collector . . .	400 00
	8	“ “ “ . . .	400 00
	15	“ “ “ . . .	200 00
	22	“ “ “ . . .	175 00
	24	“ F M Ayer, selectman . . .	46 00
		“ State, state highway . . .	216 02

Nov	5	Received of O E Davis, collector . . .	300 00
	12	" " " . . .	600 00
	19	" " " . . .	400 00
	26	" " " . . .	1,700 00
Dec	3	" State, state highway . . .	175 28
		" O E Davis, collector . .	1,900 00
	10	" " " . .	1,800 00
	17	" " " . . .	500 00
	21	" F M Ayer, selectman . . .	158 87
	24	" O E Davis, collector . .	750 00
	31	" " " . . .	475 00
		" F M Ayer, Insurance tax .	3 75
		" " R R tax . . .	2,047 15
		" " S B tax . . .	1,251 31
		" " Literary fund .	179 55
		" " School fund . .	628 09
1911			
Jan	28	" F M Ayer, selectman . . .	600 00
		" C H McDuffee, dog licenses .	69 97
		" S A Carter, bounty . . .	5 00
		" F M Ayer, back taxes . .	72 94
		" " licenses . . .	16 00
Feb	15	" " county . . .	32 00
		" O E Davis, collector . .	178 22
		" F M Ayer, selectman . . .	237 12
Cash received			\$22,602 80

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDER

1910			
March	12	Paid Harry Rollins	\$4 00
		Charles Lovett	34 00
	14	S C Seavey	9 90
		E G Ellis	12 00
		H L Barr	12 00
	19	L H Lamprey	500 00
		Farmington News	4 50
	24	C E Tuttle	5 00
	28	Mindwell Whitehouse	32 95
	29	Alvin H Dore	18 00
	30	Currier Pub. Co.	64 00
		Edson C Eastman	4 74
April	22	L H Lamprey	500 00
	23	John Dyer	75 01
		C A Glidden	1 50
	27	Philip L Drew	3 15
		Edward Horne	17 00
	30	John Dyer	34 15
May	4	Aethue J Moyen	27 40
	9	C W Whitehouse	8 50
		Edward Curtis	4 50
		Fred E Simpson	25 50
	19	A S French	159 50
	20	L H Lamprey	200 00
	28	Annie A Wheeler	12 50
	30	Oscar E Davis	50 00
June	13	Wm Berry	30 00
	14	The J H Downing Co.	21 00
		“ “	90 00
		H P Evans	25 00
	17	L H Lamprey	300 00
	24	“	400 00

June	30	Paid Harry Cheney	5 25
		O F Bennett	19 00
July	1	Edward Horne	3 00
	26	S B Cole Co., Treas.	929 22
Aug.	1	L H Lamprey	200 00
	3	S Shagnon	4 00
	5	D E Clough	30 00
	6	F M Ayer	250 40
	11	Gilbert & Barker Co.,	56 96
		Good Roads Machinery Co.	15 25
		F M Ayer	13 35
Sept.	10	Annie A Wheeler	12 50
		F M Ayer	54 90
	16	L H Lamprey	500 00
	19	Selectmen	234 34
	26	"	538 40
		"	439 10
Oct.	3	John Goodhue	90 00
	10	Selectmen	339 18
		G W Place	200 00
	17	Selectmen	417 30
		Geo. W Leavitt	31 50
	22	W H Berry	7 50
	24	W P Emerson	63 00
		Selectmen	275 42
	28	C W Whitehouse	12 93
	29	L H Lamprey	700 00
	31	Selectmen	368 57
		B F Pickering	66 45
		Gilbert & Barker Co.,	21 98
Nov.	7	Selectmen	122 30
	8	Geo. N Rines	15 00
	9	Annie A Wheeler	12 50
	12	E R Wright	29 00

	19	Paid Fred L Hill	28 00
	25	The Downing Co.,	33 60
		The J H Downing Co.,	58 71
	29	Laconia National Bank	1,000 00
	30	D E Clough	30 00
Dec.	2	L H Lamprey	500 00
		Ira Mitchell	6 35
	3	Selectmen	61 90
	7	J Jones & Son	71 87
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.	500 00
	15	L H Lamprey	300 00
	23	Laconia National Bank	1,047 50
	28	L H Lamprey	500 00
	29	Geo. H Fifield	88 00
		S B Cole & Co. Treas.,	929 21
	31	Geo. W Place	109 65
		State Tax	1,590 00
		Geo. W Place	8 86

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Jan.	6	R A Frohock	5 00
		O M James	23 50
		Dr. D J Ellison	3 00
		Dr. E R Wright	1 25
		Oe Varney	10 25
	7	Herbert E Morrell	63 36
		C L Jenness	26 86
		Gilbert & Parker Co.	25 44
	16	L H Lamprey	600 00
	19	John J Emerson	3 92
	20	O F Bennett	7 10
	28	D E Clough	10 00
	30	The Consolidated Coal Co.	62 94
	31	Fred Copp	5 00

Feb.	4	Paid E G Ellis	2 00
	8	Hose Co. No. 2	99 30
		W P Emerson	38 54
		L H Lamprey	789 19
	11	G H Guptill & Co.	11 61
		O Duncan	25 25
	13	A S French	17 50
		E W Francis	4 50
		E H Morrison	3 00
		C H Downing	3 50
		Forest H Rollins	6 00
	14	J Jones & Son	110 26
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co. . .	300 50
		H J Jones	100 00.
		A S French	6 00
		Jones & Lamprey	10 13
		A J Jones	8 00
	15	C H McDuffee	73 70
		Geo W Place	118 75
		W C Varney	12 10
		Fred A Brown	4 00
		O Duncan	264 75
		C E Hutchins	6 40
		E K Jenkins	3 00
		J Jones	5 00
		Lewis E Avery	10 00
		H J Jones	56 00
		Abbie M Gould	6 00
		The J H Downing Co.	11 00
		D E Clough	64 50
		Alton Electric Light & Power Co.	30 00
		C E Fifield	25 00
		Albert Ellis	5 00
		Dr. F W McLaughlin	5 00

Feb. 15	Paid L H Lamprey	2 00
	W P Emerson	14 00
	C W Emerson	2 50
	O E Davis	200 00
	Fred H Downing	2 00
	A B Lang	5 00
	C H Downing	5 00
	Annie A Wheeler	12 50
	William H Berry	84 00
	F W McLaughlin	5 75
	O Duncan	2 80
	"	104 85
	F M Ayer	166 55
	Eugene Smart & Son	1 50
	W C Varney	8 00
	Stanton Owen	1 00
	F M Ayer	2 00
	E H Rollins	25 00
	Frank A Varney, Est.	3 60
	Total	\$19,359 21
	Balance in treasury	3,243 59
		\$22,602 80

HERBERT J JONES, Treasurer

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P EMERSON }
LEWIS H LAMPREY } Auditors

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1911.

School Report.

In conformity to statute requirements, the school board herewith submits the following as its twenty-third annual report of the public schools of the town of Alton.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in hands of district treasurer,	\$ 223 03
Raised by tax for support of schools,	3,987 50
" " " high school,	300 00
" " " lower "	350 00
" " " repairs,	100 00
Literary fund,	62 00
Dog Licenses,	251 60
State appropriation,	628 09
Sale of old iron,	5 24
" books,	40
Assessed for books and supplies,	310 00
	\$6,217 86

Raised by tax for toilet facilities, \$1,000 (unexpended.)

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid teachers' salaries,	\$3,278 80
superintendent,	699 98
free text books and supplies,	330 13
tuition to other towns,	22 50
transportation of pupils,	696 45
salaries of school board,	75 00
truant officer,	1 25
other district officers,	51 00
repairs,	166 03
janitor service,	213 74

Paid fuel,	297 77
miscellaneous expenses,	201 48
balance unexpended,	183 73
	\$ 6,217 86

ESTIMATES FOR COMING FISCAL YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 15, 1912.

Money required by law,	\$ 1,987 50
“ “ for text books and supplies	300 00
“ “ flags and appurtenances,	15 00
“ “ salaries of school board	
and other officers,	150 00
“ “ repairs	150 00
Additional amount needed	?

ESTIMATED INCOME FROM THE STATE DEC. 1911

Literary fund	\$179 55
General State aid	294 75
One half superintendent's salary	333 33

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR D. ROLLINS	} School Board of Alton.
ALTA H. McDUFFEE	
W. E. SANBORN	

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P EMERSON	} Auditors
LEWIS H LAMPREY	

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1911.

School District Treasurer's Report.

CASH RECEIVED.

1910			
Mar.	18.	Balance in treasury	\$ 223 03
	21	Received of town treasurer,	500 00
	26	“ Mrs. C. H. McDuffee,	5 24
April	23	“ town treasurer,	500 00
May	21	“ “	200 00
June	18	“ “	300 00
	24	“ “	400 00
Aug.	2	“ “	200 00
Sept.	16	“ “	500 00
Oct.	29	“ “	700 00
Dec.	2	“ “	500 00
	15	“ “	500 00
	28	“ “	300 00
1911			
Jan.	14	“ “	600 00
Feb.	8	“ “	789 19
	15	“ Mrs. C. H. McDuffee,	40
			\$ 6217 86

CASH PAID OUT, AS PER ORDERS.

1910

Mch.	18	Grace E. Lord	\$ 55 56
		Leila F. Hussey	20 60
		Alice J. Hobbs	50 00
		D. W. MacLean	65 63
		Fannie G. de Rochemont	59 67
		Leila F. Hussey	29 40
	22	Edgar P. Seward	36 00
		Annie A. Wheeler	34 51
	24	B. L. Blaisdell	35 24
	26	David E. Clough	4 46
April	1	Clarance Rollins	5 00
		H. L. Moore	120 00
		A. D. Rolling	19 50
	4	H. L. Barr	7 42
		Jay Gilman	7 15
	19	Fdgar P. Seward	30 00
	21	Grace E. Lord	44 33
		Fannie G. de Rochmont	47 22
		Alice J. Hobbs	40 00
		Lula F. Hussey	40 00
May	25	D. M. MacLean	72 22
	29	B. L. Blaisdell	25 00
		Clara B. Davis	28 00
	2	W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
	19	Alice J. Hobbs	40 00
	20	Lula F. Hussey	40 00
		D. W. MacLean	72 22
		Fannie G. de Rochmont	47 22
		Grace E. Lord	44 55
		Clara B. Davis	21 00
		J. L. Hammutt	28 25

May	22	Walter Durgin	5 00
	26	Clarence Rollins	2 50
		W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
	27	B. L. Blaisdell	20 00
	31	Edgar P. Seward	24 00
June	11	Edward E. Babb & Co.	39 45
		Silver Burdett & Co.	18 09
		L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	37 63
	17	J. N. Bennett	19 40
		Leila F. Hussey	40 00
		A. E. Barnes	1 00
		D. W. MacLean	72 22
		Alice J. Hobbs	40 00
	23	Isa Jones	96 00
		Edgar P. Seward	24 00
		H. L. Moore	180 00
		" "	25 32
		Wolfboro school district	22 50
	24	Fannie G. de Rochmont	59 02
		Grace E. Lord	55 55
		B. L. Blaisdell	20 00
	25	W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
		Clara B Davis	35 00
		Alice J. Hobbs	10 00
	27	D. W. MacLean	18 06
		" "	2 35
		Leila F. Hussey	10 00
	29	Grim & Co.	89
July	8	Annie A. Wheeler	34 13
Sept.	12	Arthur D. Rollins	19 00
		Jay Gilman	7 15
		Clarence Rollins	5 00

Sept.	12	Ai T Gilman	85 00
	26	Ira Mitchell	4 00
		Mrs. C. H. Jones	3 00
	29	H. L. Moore	66 66
Oct.	4	W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
	7	D. W. MacLean	90 00
		Leila H. MacLane	37 50
		Agnes L. Boulia	37 50
		Vera E. Grover	40 00
		Ada B. Rogers	36 00
		Clara B. Davis	32 00
		Edgar P. Seward	18 00
		B. L. Blaisdell	20 00
		" "	19 32
	11	Isa Jones	32 00
Nov.	1	H. L. Moore	66 66
	4	Ira Jones	32 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
		W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Agnes L. Boulia	37 50
		Edgar P. Seward	24 00
		D. W. MacLean	90 00
		Leila H. MacLane	37 50
		Ada B. Rogers	36 00
		Vera E. Grover	40 00
		Clara B. Davis	32 00
		Erasmus Ellis	16 32
		W. C. Sanborn	4 50
		Grace B. Cox	3 00
		B. L. Blaisdell	21 50
		W. E. Sonborn	119 12
	17	Annie A. Wheeler	21 00
	21	David E. Clough	3 40

Nov.	25	W. Allen Varney	20 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
	28	Ira Mitchell	3 00
		Edgar P. Seward	30 00
	30	Clarence Rollins	5 00
Dec.	2	Isa Jones	32 00
		Leila H. MacLane	37 50
		Ada B. Rogers	36 00
		Clara B. Davis	32 00
		D. W. MacLean	90 00
		Vera E. Grover	40 00
		Agnes L. Boulia	37 50
	5	Ivan Gilman	35 00
		H. L. Moore	66 67
	7	Mrs. B. L. Blaisdell	20 00
	8	Arthur D. Rollins	3 00
	13	Jay Gilman	1 00
	14	Philip Drew	3 08
		Arthur D. Rollins	19 50
	15	D. W. MacLean	90 00
		" "	6 00
		Ivan Gilman	35 00
		Arthur D. Rollins	19 50
		Ada B. Rogers	36 00
		Vera E. Grover	35 56
		Clara B. Davis	16 00
		Agnes L. Boullo	37 50
		Leila H. MacLean	37 50
		Edwin O. Prescott	15 00
		Edgar P. Seward	12 00
		C. H. McDuffee	3 08
	21	Wilton Bradley Co.	14 36
		Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover	4 34
		D. C. Heath	10 25

Dec.	15	Edwin E. Babb	24 14
		Ginn & Co.	13 76
		Allyn & Bacon	18 00
		J. L. Hammett Co.	34 20
	21	Rochester Lumber Co.	17 40
		A. D. Lougee	1 25
		Wilber H. Swett	133 33
	24	Isa Jones	32 00
		Eula M. Presby	30 00
	27	Wallace Building Co.	40 47
	29	H. S. Emerson	10 72
1911			
Jan.	2	Jay Gilman	7 15
		Mrs. B. L. Blaisdell	20 00
	3	Ivan Gilman	5 00
		Geo. W. Place	52 18
		White, Smith Music Co.	1 75
		Silver, Rurdett & Co.	6 53
		Houghton, Muffin Co.	9 30
		L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	25 16
	20	O. F. Bennett	1 68
	23	D. W. MacLean	90 00
	27	Isa Jones	32 00
		Agnes L. Boulia	37 50
		Clara B. Davis	32 00
		Ada B. Rogers	36 00
		Leila H. MacLane	37 50
	28	Eula M. Presby	30 00
		W. E. Sanborn	111 35
		A. D. Varney	6 50
	31	Edgar P. Seward	24 00
Feb.	6	L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	5 50
	6	Edward E. Babb & Co.	27 85
		F. E. Mooney	8 25

Feb.	6	Alta H. McDuffee	50 00
		Ivan Gilman	15 00
		Annie E. Wheeler	23 63
	10	Ivan Gilman	10 00
	11	Clara B. Davis	16 00
		Ada B. Rogers	18 00
	13	Leila H. MacLane	18 75
		D. W. MacLean	45 00
		Isa Jones	16 00
		Mrs. B. L. Blaisdell	32 00
		J. F. Butler	3 00
		Edgar P. Seward	12 00
		Agnes L. Boulia	18 75
		Eula M. Presby	15 00
	15	C. E. Fifield	1 25
		Wilbur H. Swett	66 66
		Clarence Rollins	5 00
		A. W. Jones	1 49
		R. A. Frohock	8 25
		G. W. Lamper	12 75
		W. P. Emerson	1 46
		Alta H. McDuffee	13 11
		Jones & Lamprey	3 25
		J. Jones & Son	9 83
		Alton & Alton Bay Water Co.	15 00
		Farmington News	60
		Lena Whitehouse	12 00
		Herbert E. Morrell	4 94
		Arthur D. Rollins	20 00
		Alta H. McDuffee	35 00
		W. E. Sanborn	20 00
		L. H. Lamprey	25 00
		Arthur D. Rollins	4 00
		Alta H. McDuffee	10 00

Feb. 15	W. E. Sanborn	8 00
	Merille Adams	2 00
	Ethel Morrell	2 00
	Chandler & Barker	82 71
	S. E. Colbath	2 00
	J. A. Mooney	20 00
	Marion Chase	10 00
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		\$ 6,034 13

Balance in the treasury	183 73
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Total	\$ 6,217 86
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LEWIS H. LAMPREY, Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

WILLIS P EMERSON	} Auditors
LEWIS H LAMPREY	

Alton, N. H., Feb. 15, 1911.

Annual Report of The Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Board and Citizens of Alton:

I herewith submit to you my fourth annual report as superintendent of your public schools:

ATTENDANCE.

Our membership for the past school year decreased twelve pupils due to the small size of the high school and to the small number of beginners entering Grade 1 the previous fall. The decrease, however, was but temporary. The present year's membership is back to its former level as shown by the following table:

Village building	134
Bay	21
Mountain	11
McDuffee	8
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Total	174

The rise in per cent of attendance from 90 per cent to 94 per cent is encouraging. But it is doubtful if this record can be maintained. It is 2 per cent higher than the average. Yet I would urge that every reasonable effort be exerted by parents and pupils to keep it as near this point as possible. It will be remembered that the amount of state aid received is in part dependent upon our average daily attendance.

Our tardiness decreased from 611 to 315 cases, or 48 per cent. This also is gratifying. Yet it can be improved. All average of 1.93 cases per pupils is high. No school should have a record of over 1.50 cases. The number of pupils not absent nor tardy for the year increased from 5 to 19.

As intimated in my last report I believe this improvement in attendance to be largely due to our better and more wholesome school conditions. For further data I refer you to the tables.

SCHOOL YEAR.

At the last school meeting sufficient money was appropriated to enable the board to extend the schools outside the village to thirty-six weeks. The Bay, Mountain and McDuffee schools will therefore be continued six weeks longer this year than heretofore. The average school year for the town will thus be raised from 33.50 weeks to 36 weeks or approximately 7.5 per cent. This is decidedly a step in advance, and is one means of providing for the district schools advantages more nearly equal to those of the village. The Bay school can now be considered for all purposes a graded primary school, comparing well in time, work and grading with the primary school at the village. The Mountain and McDuffee schools, however, must still be conducted as ungraded or semi-graded schools, but the added six weeks will enable pupils to complete their elementary work in at least one whole year less time. I would urge that thirty-six weeks be made the regular school year for these schools.

MUSIC.

The work in music as conducted in the village schools for the past year and a half deserves the highest commendation. In interest of pupils, efficiency of instruction, and in its toning up influence upon the schools it has been a decided success.

This work has recently been extended to the Bay school and the same work will be taken there as in the Village primary school.

MANUAL TRAINING.

Work in manual training was begun at the village building the last of the fall term. The vacant room was fitted with a minimum equipment of six benches and necessary tools. Wood working is offered to the boys of Grades VII, VIII and IX; sewing is planned for the girls. This will be preceded in the lower rooms by hand work suited to the several grades.

Our purpose is not vocational nor industrial training, nor training for any other purpose than to develop latent powers heretofore neglected by the schools. It aims to call into activity certain nerves and muscles undeveloped by ordinary school routine, and to add a vital, concrete element to the often abstract duties of the school room. In former days the child underwent a varied drill at home. There were the work bench, the wood pile, the daily chores. There was responsibility involved and power derived from doing things. Such drill the nation needed then and needs today. But it has become the exception not the rule. Social conditions have changed. The child now receives his training very largely from the school. His knowledge is derived from books, he discovers little for himself. There is ample head work but little hand work. As a result he is lacking in the resourcefulness and accuracy of his fathers. Partly to supply this lack is the aim of manual training.

Results are at once apparent. Pupils of a mechanical turn of mind finding little attractive in the ordinary courses are waked up and held in school. It fits their taste and flavors of the world's work. In it they feel that they are doing something. They observe material results, successful only in pro-

portion to their efforts. It results also in a greater definiteness in all their own work, in arithmetic and language, history and science. And not the least is its moral effect. It tends to impress upon the minds of the rising generation the dignity of manual labor.

Thus briefly are its aim and its results. It means much to many a child in its immediate effect, and in later years is bound to mean much to the community in which the child shall live, expressed in a better rounded and more intelligent citizenship.

REPAIRS, ETC.

I would again call attention to the sanitary arrangements at the village building, also to the matter of ventilation. \$1000 was appropriated last year for this purpose but after more thorough investigation the amount seemed insufficient for properly providing the necessary improvements. Work has been delayed, therefore, pending further action by the district.

Minor repairs are needed at the Bay and McDuffee buildings. The walls of the former school should be whitewashed or tinted, and some of the seats should be replaced by a smaller size. The McDuffee building needs painting outside and inside. I would further recommend that the pupils' desks in the several buildings be varnished. They would last longer and be more sanitary. Some floor preparation should be used in sweeping the rooms to keep down the dust and ensure more thorough cleaning. A preparation, as dustbane, would lessen the labor of sweeping and make possible a much healthier room, preventing many colds and throat trouble. The expense involved would be slight.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Our high school is still small, at least 30 per cent less than normal. But indications point to a gradual increase until in three years it will again approximate forty pupils. Following is the table of attendance:

	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	Total
Entered by examination Sept. 1910,	4	6	8	8	26
Failed to pass previous year,	0	1	0	0	0
Total membership,	4	7	8	8	27
Left school,	0	0	1	0	1
Membership Feb. 1911,	4	7	7	8	26

The past year's work of the school examined by the State Department as a basis for reapproval was up to the standard and satisfactory in every particular.

In my last report I spoke of the necessity of an early decision for pupils contemplating college or technical school who desire to prepare in four years' time. This cannot be too strongly emphasized. I would here mention another matter of importance in high school procedure. I refer to the expense and elaborate preparations often incident to graduation exercises. Unnecessary burdens may be thrust upon well meaning parents who, prompted by false standards, attempt to provide for their child appointments equal to those of others. Graduation should not be an occasion for expensive dress nor extended display. Plain dress, simple decorations and brief but appropriate exercises are by far the most effective, and involve but little expense to individual or class.

PLAYGROUNDS.

In general the movement towards better school playgrounds is based upon the assumption that there is much to gain in the way of moral and physical development through well organized

play, and that the child's play time as well as his work time should be under the intelligent oversight of interested teachers. Wherever the matter has received the slightest attention the soundness of the assumption has been amply demonstrated.

The most that children gain while together on the school grounds is the pure air they breathe and a sense of freedom from the confinements of the school room, manifested according to the disposition and inclination of the child. It usually takes the form of more or less aimless romping, scrapping and collecting in groups with often questionable conversation and mischievous plots. The mind is idle, drifting, and easily susceptible to suggestions and whims. Troubles arise and the discipline of the school becomes difficult to control. A little is gained in relaxation, but much is lost in wasted time and the formation of careless and idle habits; such habits as lead now and later to careless living and careless thinking. The best of moral instruction in the school room may be completely ruined by laxity of control at recess.

Children together need occupation during their leisure moments. Nature intended play. Few children, however, really play without encouragement and at times intelligent direction. Give them this and they respond in a most natural way. And the result is a transformation of the whole atmosphere of the school grounds. Everybody is busy and happy. There is no time for idleness or corrupt conversation. On their return to the school room they are ready for serious things. Their superfluous energy has been spent. Discipline becomes an easy matter.

As the result of the subscription paper circulated during the fall term considerable apparatus has been secured; tennis and basketball outfits, swings, sand piles, croquet sets, etc. I am sure that the results of this movement are evident on

the grounds, on the streets and in public places, and that those who contributed for this purpose have been well repaid in a higher moral tone among the children. To Mr. MacLean is due the success of organization.

As long as this means of recreation maintains its proper relation to the more serious work of the school it would receive the earnest support of all interested in the children of the community. I strongly recommend that the real purpose of these plays and games always be kept in view and that as school interests they never be allowed to serve the purpose of interscholastic rivalry through public contests with out of town schools.

SCHOOL SESSIONS.

Near the close of the fall term the daily sessions of the village and Bay schools were reduced from six to five and one-half hours in length. The sessions are now from 9 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3:30 p. m. at the village and 1:15 to 3:30 at the Bay. I believe the change was needed and I would recommend that the above be made a permanent schedule.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

A teachers' club has been formed composed of the teachers of the town. Under the direction of the club three public meetings are arranged to which all citizens are cordially invited. State, Superintendent H. C. Morrison of Concord, Superintendent G. H. Whitcher of Berlin, and Principal C. L. Wallace of Plymouth are expected to speak. These meetings held in the high room are intended to give the people of Alton a special opportunity to come into the building, observe the work, and become familiar with matters of educational interest, especially the problems we are endeavoring to work out in their public schools.

IN CONCLUSION.

I would call attention to the tables, etc., immediately following, also to the estimated appropriations needed for the ensuing year as outlined at the close of the financial report of the school board.

In conclusion I wish especially to extend to the board my appreciation for their encouragement and support

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. MOORE,
Superintendent.

Alton, N. H., February 15, 1911.

Roll of Honor

Pupils neither absent nor tardy, School year 1909-10

HIGH SCHOOL

Wallace Adams

Marjorie Twombly

GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Albert Adams (4 successive years)

Evelyn Flanders

Walter George (3 " ")

Frank Gray

Pearl Hanson

Ivan Gilman

Gertrude McNayr

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Ella Adams

Raymond Dore

Ralph Drew

Dana Glidden

Doris McDuffee (3 successive years)

Lillian Green

Rexford Norman (4 " ")

Howard Rollins

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Helen Gilman

BAY SCHOOL

Kenneth Chamberlain

Attendance Table for Year Ending, June 24, 1910

School	Whole Number Pupils			Average Attendance	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Per cent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness		Not absent or tardy
	Boys	Girls	Total					Average Tardiness		
High	9	16	25	23	22	1	96	94	4 86	2
Grammar	18	21	39	34	32	2	95	81	2 38	7
Intermediate	21	17	38	33	32	1	97	24	72	8
Primary	21	13	34	30	28	2	92	29	96	1
Bay	12	13	25	17	16	1	91	47	1 88	1
Mountain	7	10	17	12	10	2	84	22	1 83	
McDuffee	8	6	14	10	9	1	91	18	1 80	
Total*	96	96	192	163	153	10	94	315	1 93	19

*Not necessarily the sums of respective columns

GRADED SCHOOLS

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	Total
Membership June 1910	17	17	9	12	12	12	13	13	4	109
Promoted	12	16	9	12	11	12	12	12	4	100
Not Promoted	5	1			1		1	1		9
In same grade two full years	2	1		2		2	1			8
Average age September 1910	6.3	7.5	8.6	9.5	10.8	11.2	13.6	14.3	14.7	
Membership February 1911	27	17	18	8	11	11	12	13	12	129
Primary	19	12	12							43
Intermediate				6	11	11				28
Grammar							12	13	12	37
Bay	8	5	6	2						21

TEACHING FORCE, 1910-1911

School	Grade	Teacher	Education	Salary
High	X-XIII	Daniel W MacLean	University of Maine*	\$900
		Agnes L Boulia	Bates College*	375
Grammar	VII-IX	Marion L Chase†	Plymouth Normal*	360
Intermediate	IV-VI	Ada B Rogers	Hyannis Normal	360
Primary	I-III	Leila H MacLean	Normal Course	375
Bay	I-IV	Clara B Davis	Lynn High School*	288
Mountain	I-IX	Isa E Jones	Alton High School*	288
McDuffee	I-IX	Eula M Presby	Plymouth Normal	270

Music, Annie E Wheeler.

*Graduate

†Fall term, Vera E. Groves, Lowell Normal

SUMMARY

	1907-08	1908-09	1909-10
Average length in weeks	32.57	32.57	33.50
Whole number of pupils	204	202	192
Boys	99	100	96
Girls	105	102	96
Average daily attendance	152	157	153
Average daily absence	18	18	10
Average membership	170	175	163
Per cent of attendance	89	90	94
Cases of tardiness	693	611	315
Number not absent nor tardy	8	5	19
Visits by citizens	279	235	297
Visits by board	32	41	35
Visits by superintendent	111	130	116

Library Report

Dr.

To cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1910,	\$13 14
May 19, cash received of town treasurer,	159 50
Feb. 14, to cash, interest of Eveline L.	
Palmer fund,	17 50
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Total,	\$190 14

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May 13	Paid Fannie Young, cleaning	
	Library	\$ 1 25
19	Lewis Publishing Co.	12 00
"	Grumiaux News subscription Co.	13 50
23	Farmington News, Library cards,	2 50
June 10	G. G. Neal, binding books,	27 80
16	David E. Clough, repairing	
	bookcase,	1 95
Aug 3	Charles E. Lauriat Co., books,	98 18
"	Freight on books and postage,	55
Sept 14	Annie M. Wright, making cata-	
	logue	5 00
21	E. H. Thomas, printing catalogues	6 00

Dec 10	A. D. Lougee, cleaning clock,	75
"	Mrs. H. C. Young, cleaning library,	50
1911		
Feb 15	By cash on hand Feb. 15, 1911, 20 16	

Total,	\$190 14
Number of books in library	3,200
Number of books loaned for year	6,112

Respectfully submitted,
 ALONZO S. FRENCH
 OLIVER J. M. GILMAN
 ANNA M. WRIGHT,
 Library Trustees.

Deaths Registered in the town of Alton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

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Births Registered in the Town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

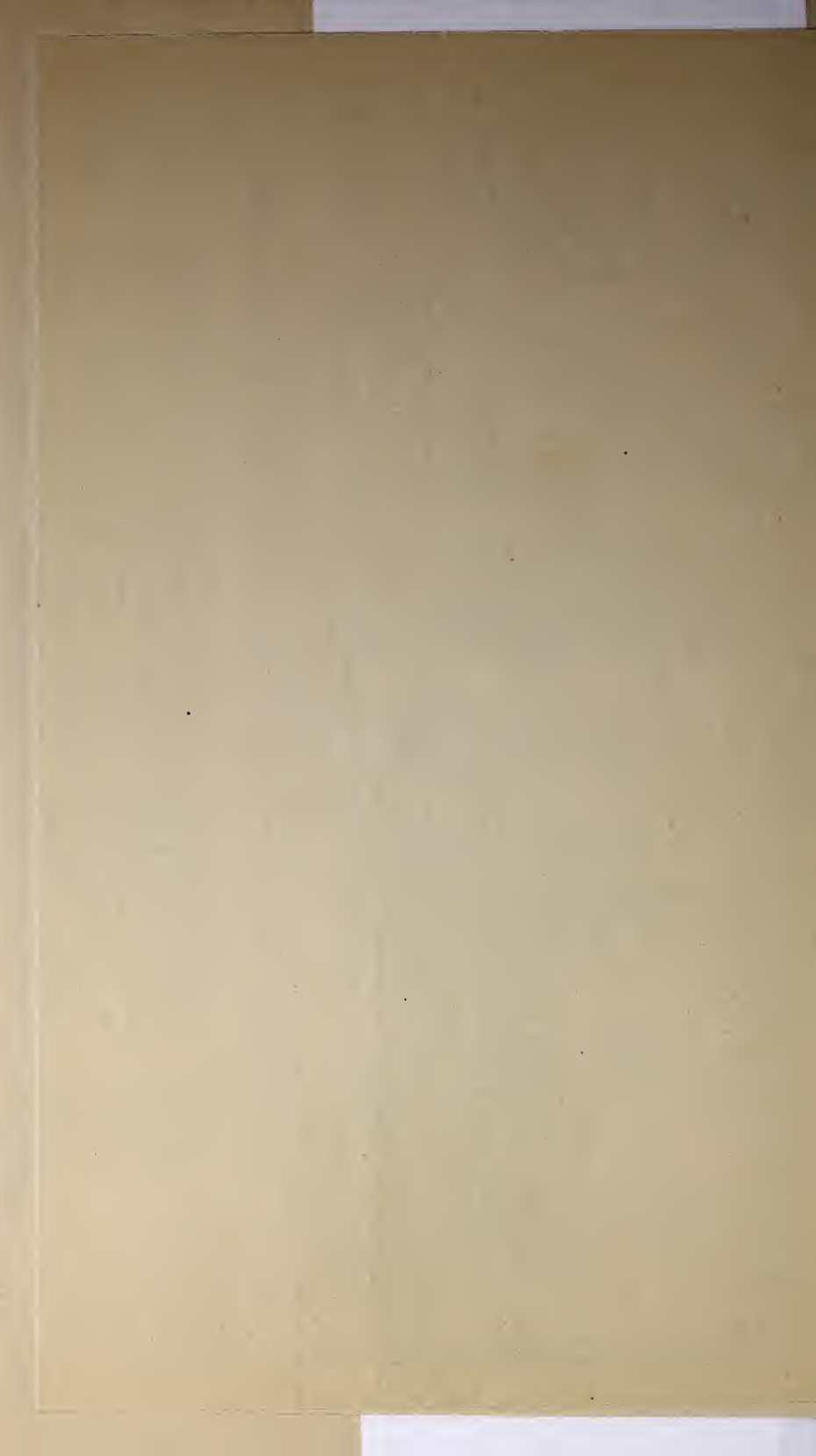
Marriages Registered in the town of Alton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years, Color of Hair.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan 3	Alton	Alfred F Smith	Alton	21	Labourer	Alton	Arthur W Smith Carrie H Smith	Alton Albion	Bookkeeper Housekeeper	1	E W Cunningham 1 Leys Hill
		Josephine Kimball	Wofford	24	Witcher	Wofford	James R Curson Annie L Smith	Wofford Dover	Millediner Dressmaker	2	Alton N H
Jan 11	Alton	Frank A Longee	Alton	34	Clerk	Alton	David R Longee Laura A Jones	Alton Salem	Farmer Housewife	1	E W Cunningham 1 Leys Hill
		Minnie B Miller	Free Press Vt	27	Nurse	Sullivan Mass	Leah M Miller Sam C Cummings	Southampton N H	Housewife Farmer	1	Richard L Swain Clergyman
Feb 11	Leicester	Edworth H Rollin	Alton	43	Leather Dealer	Alton	Frederic Rollins Marg A Piper	Alton	Housewife Farmer	1	Leicester N H
		Maud Wymouth	Leicester	45	Teacher	Belmont	Hiram Ws mouth Abbie T. Rollins	Belmont Meridith	Farmer Farmer	1	E W Cunningham 1 Leys Hill
Mar 26	Alton	Alexander D Howe	Alton	24	Shoemaker	Alton	George H Howe Dorothy A Young	Alton Salem	Housewife Farmer	1	E W Cunningham 1 Leys Hill
		Myrtle L Sullivan	Dover N H	20	Witcher	Dorchester N H	Edith Bishop Sally E Burman	Dorchester N H Alton	Housewife Shoemaker	2	Henry Blanchard Clergyman
Apr 24	Portland Me	Julius Emerson	Alton	42	Fireman	Alton	Emily O Hiram	Alton	Housekeeper	1	Portland Me
		Alma L Doane	Portland Me	44	Fire Maker	Portland Me	Bessy Howe Marg A Piper	Chatham Cape Cod Germany	Housewife Merchant	1	E W Cunningham 1 Leys Hill
May 23	Alton	Henry H Emerson	Alton	66	Printer	Alton	Walter G Emerson Betsey H Fleming	Alton Belmont	Housewife Textile laborer	3	Alton N H
		Sophia C Sumner	New Durham	60	Housekeeper	Bridgewater	Leah Goodrich John L Goodrich	Kennebunk Me Alton	Housewife Shoemaker	1	John H Wilkins Clergyman
July 16	Portland Me	Clarence A Horne	Alton	23	Box Maker	Alton	Alonso P Horne Sarah A Cunnee	Alton Meridith Village	Housewife Textile laborer	1	John H Wilkins Clergyman
		Annie L Foster	Alton	19	Housekeeper	Beverly Mass	Catherine Foster Sarah W Nelson	Alton Salem	Housewife Housewife	1	W J Hall Clergyman
Sept 14	Wofford	Willy H Clough	Alton	25	Shoemaker	Alton	Charles H Clough Sarah W Nelson	Alton New Durham	Housewife Engineer	1	Wofford N H
Sept 14	Wofford	Ruby L Thompson	Wofford	19	Housekeeper	Wofford	Edgory Kemball P M Thompson	Dorchester Topsfield	Housewife Millediner	1	E W Cunningham Clerk
Sept 21	Alton	Herbert L Bruce	Salem N H Me	28	Blacksmith	Somerville Me	Josephine Rogers Solace E Hall	Somerville Me Salem Mass	Housekeeper Clerk	1	John H Wilkins Clergyman
		Grace L Kilgore	Sorey Me	19	Housekeeper	Sorey Me	John E Kilgore Lillian Burge	Sorey Me Alton	Housewife Housewife	1	John H Wilkins Clergyman
Oct 1	Warrenton	John P Hurd	Alton	33	Clerk	Alton	George S Hurd Annie M Hurd	Alton Salem	Housewife Shoemaker	1	Richard Kingsley Clergyman
		Walter H Hays	Warrenton	35	Music Teacher	Warrenton	James R Hays Hattie S Tate	Warrenton Middleton	Shoemaker Shoemaker	1	Leicester Me
Oct 14	Leicester Mass	Grady E Tuttle	Alton	18	Box Maker	Alton	Charles E Tuttle Rosetta Hays	Middleton Alton	Housewife Housewife	1	Leicester Mass
		Edna L Brown	Lawrence Me	16	Dress Maker	Alton	Andrew J Brown Abbie Tuttle	Alton Alton	Housewife Housewife	1	Leicester Me
Dec 18	Vinal Haven Me	John Varney	Alton	24	Clerk	Alton	Edna Varney Ellen E Roberts	Salem Falls Salem Falls	Housekeeper Merchant	1	Vinal Haven Me
		Carolya M Crockett	Vinal Haven	24	School Teacher	Vinal Haven	George W Crockett Vinal H Crockett	Vinal Haven Vinal Haven	Housewife Housewife	1	Vinal Haven Me

I would be willing that the subject matters are doubtful, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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